

Changes expand housing options

The Grayling City Council recently made a pair of changes to its zoning ordinance to offer more housing options to residents.

First, the city council amended it commercially zoned, local service district to allow apartment dwellings to be located on a second floor, above or in the rear of a retail business on the first floor. The retail operation must be maintained as the principle use of the building and the apartment cannot take up more square footage than the retail space.

The business owner must come before the planning commission to get the changes for the apartment approved as a conditional use. **Pg. 20**

SPORTS

Boys basketball team focuses on defense, consistency



Last year's Grayling High School varsity boys basketball squad had a young group of players – it started the season with five sophomores, four juniors, and three seniors – and posted a regular season record of 14-6. This year, four of those sophomores – now juniors – will join two seniors to form a solid foundation of returning players for the 2010-2011 season.

Grayling started its official practices during the week of Nov. 15-19. Rich Moffit returns as head coach of the program.

"We have an outstanding group of kids, both on the court and in the classroom," Coach Moffit said. "This group has worked hard during the offseason to improve their skills." **Pg. 13**

Young wrestling team looks to win 4th straight league title



Grayling High School's wrestling team, a squad with three consecutive conference titles, has a young group this year.

"We have five new freshmen," Coach Joe Ferrigan said. "Lots of new faces."

Ferrigan, who took over the program in 2005, opted to start practicing on Wednesday, Nov. 17, instead of on Monday the 15th, giving the team the first two days of firearm deer hunting season off. **Pg. 12**

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

A host of volunteers and organizers for the 17th annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner marked another record year on Thursday. Above, Brad Scheer and Jackie D'Amour cut up and break down turkeys for the meal.

Thanksgiving

Another record year for annual meal

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A host of volunteers and organizers for the 17th annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner marked another record year on Thursday, hopefully planting the seed for someone to take over the holiday tradition.

Volunteers served and delivered 800 meals out of the Camp Grayling Army Airfield mess hall on Thanksgiving Day. Last year, volunteers served and delivered over 700 meals.

"The place was packed and we had a great volunteer group," said Therese Kaiser, who started the dinner with her husband Skip Kaiser at the St. John's Lutheran Church.

The dinner was prepared and served for several years at the

former Knights of Columbus Hall. It was then moved to the Camp Grayling Armory before finding its home at the airfield mess hall. The airfield is located closer to Grayling and is easier to access.

Paula Collen, a bus driver for the Crawford County Transportation Authority, said she picked up seven passengers and transported them to the airfield for the holiday feast. One stop was in Grayling, while the others were east and west of the community.

"It's a good service and I'm glad we're able to provide it to the people who may not be able to get out on Thanksgiving Day," Collen said. "This year, I stayed and had a dinner and they do a very good job."

Collen said it was inspiring to

see a number of youth involved in helping serve meals, prepare take-out orders and clean up after people enjoyed their dinners.

"It's nice seeing everybody from the community coming together and everybody helping out," she said.

Brad Scheer, the owner of Scheer Motors and a Grayling Rotary Club member, was on hand Wednesday to break down turkeys after they came out of the oven. Scheer, who was there for his second year, said he was paying the Kaisers back for all they do for the community. Specifically, that includes helping prepare chickens for the Grayling Rotary Club's famous barbequed chicken dinners served during the AuSable River

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Photo by Dan Sanderson

Forty-five turkeys, donated by Glen's Market of Grayling, were prepared for the 17th annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner. Above, Scott Kaiser and Gene Pawlanta, the owner of the Frederic Inn, look over huge pots of turkey being boiled down to make gravy.

Grayling soldier receives Silver Star

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Somewhere between the border of Afghanistan and Pakistan, the odds changed for Sgt. Donald Starks and his assault team when the warrior groomed in Grayling and part of the nation's elite forces took over.

Starks is the fire team leader for C Company, 2nd Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division Air Assault. He was in charge of a six-man team located at an observation post five kilometers southeast of Combat Outpost Margah on Oct. 30 when they were attacked by more than 25 Taliban insurgents, the HOOAHcampbell.com website reported. The website covers the actions of soldiers and units from Fort Campbell, KY, where the 101st Airborne Division is based. The 101st Airborne Division is the only Air Assault Division in the world.

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Photo courtesy of U.S. Army Capt. Rob Quint, Combined Joint Task Force

Gen. David H. Petraeus, left, International Security Assistance Force commander, shakes the hand of Sgt. Donald Starks from Grayling, the fire team leader for C Company, 2nd Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team, after awarding him the Silver Star for his actions during an Oct. 30 attack.

Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale underway

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Grayling area businesses and the Crawford County Deputy Sheriff's Association have joined forces to boost the Christmas spirit for needy families in the community.

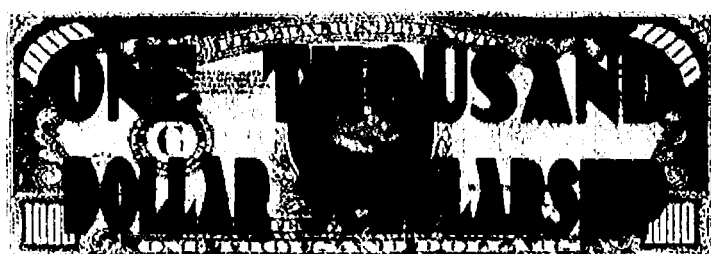
The 15th annual Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale began in the Grayling Knart parking lot on Tuesday in order to provide a brighter holiday for some youngsters and chill the holiday blahs for families.

The Crawford County Deputy Sheriff's Association consists of current and retired road patrol deputies and corrections officers from the Crawford County Sheriff's Office.

The association plans to sell approximately 200 trees, ranging in price from \$20 to \$40. Douglas fir and black hills spruce trees are \$40, blue spruce are \$35 and scotch trees are \$20.

The trees come from the Dutchman Tree Farms in Manton, which agreed not to hike the price of the trees this year so they will continue to be affordable.

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Another record year celebrated for annual Thanksgiving meal

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"It's the same kind of thing, but on a smaller scale," Scheer said of the chicken dinner. "I'm paying them back."

The Kaisers are seeking to pass the torch on to another group of volunteers to help the community Thanksgiving tradition live on.

Lisa and Rick Oliver were also among an assembly line of volunteers, cutting turkey breasts and separating white meat and dark meat into aluminum containers.

The Olivers volunteered for their second year in a row.

"It's kind of nice and it's rewarding," Rick said. "It needs to be done. It's good for the community, good for everybody around and with the hard times today, every little bit helps."

Lisa Oliver said she

enjoys helping out with the couple's skills in the kitchen.

"We just enjoy helping," Lisa Oliver said. "If there's somebody in need, we both like to be able to do something. We both like to cook, so it's a perfect cause we like to volunteer for."

Theresa Kaiser said she was impressed by the turnout of volunteers and those who showed up to enjoy the meal at the mess hall or at home.

"We had a lot of family groups volunteering and that was really great," she said.

But after the final clean-up was completed and the lights were turned out in the mess hall, there is still a need for a new group of volunteers to take over the dinner. The Kaisers have offered to mentor a new group for a couple years.

"Right now, it's kind of up in air as far as what's going

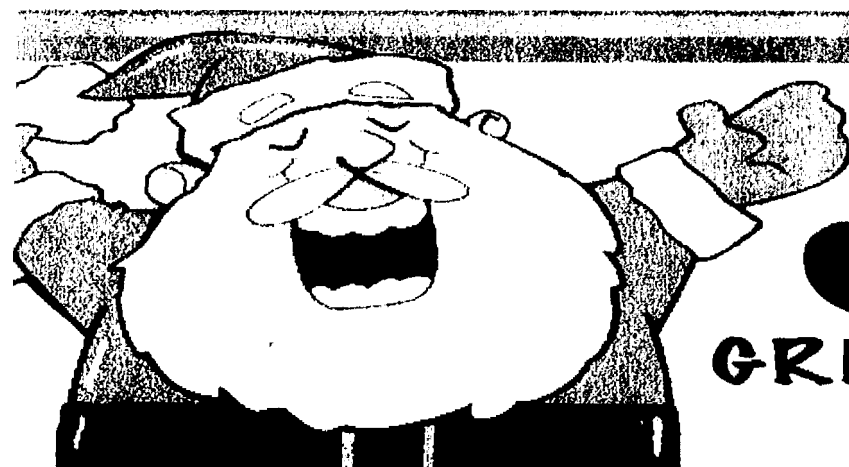


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Volunteers served and delivered 800 meals out of the Camp Grayling Army Airfield Mess Hall on Thanksgiving Day. Above Rick and Lisa Oliver slice up turkey breasts for the feast.

to happen so we're hoping that somebody will think about it and give us a call."

Kaiser said. Kaiser can be reached at 348-1340 or 390-2206.



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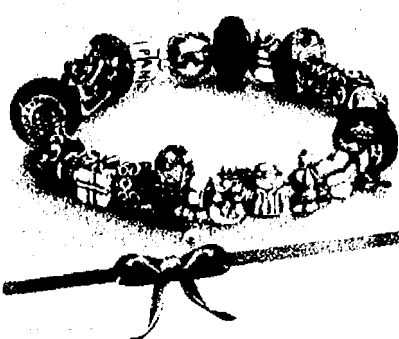
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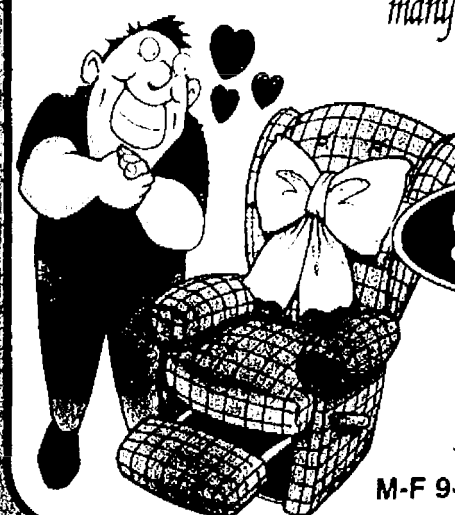
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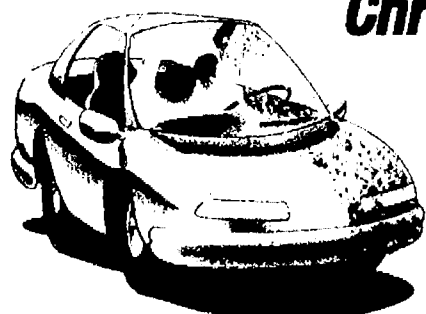
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The 15th annual Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale began in the Grayling Kmart parking lot on Tuesday in order to provide a brighter holiday for some youngsters and chill the holiday blahs for families. Above, Sgt. Shon Chmielewski unloads a tree from an Arctic Glacier, Inc. tractor trailer to put on display for the annual holiday sale.

Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale underway

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"Obviously, with the times the way they are, nobody has the extra money to kick in to buy a tree," said Crawford County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol Deputy Jason Alexander, who is the president of the Crawford County Deputy Sheriff's Association.

The trees were brought to the community in a tractor trailer donated and driven by Chad Ventline, distribution manager for Arctic Glacier, Inc.

Most of the proceeds from the Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale go toward the Shop With a Cop program. Deputies take between 20 to 25 kids shopping at the Grayling Kmart for much needed items, such as coats, mittens and hats, along with a couple of fun items for the children and their families.

"That is the biggest

reward for me," said Alexander, who is a former school liaison officer for the Crawford County Sheriff's Office and Crawford AuSable School District. "It's showing that you truly care, and right around Christmas time, everybody needs a little help when the times are tight the way they are right now."

After the shopping excursion, the youngsters are treated to a pizza luncheon from Spicy Bob's at the Grayling Eagles Club. The Grayling Eagles Women's Auxiliary donates huge food baskets for the children to take home.

"They provide just a ton of food for the families, so it's a real good program that we've been able to keep going," Alexander said.

The Grayling Kmart provides a 10 percent discount which allows the students involved in the program to

get the most bang for their buck at Christmas time.

"K-Mart has been awesome and the Grayling Eagles have been awesome," Alexander said. "I think we're lucky to live in the area that we do."

The Cops for Kids Christmas Tree Sale also assists in funding other youth-oriented events and programs throughout the county, including the Crawford County Sheriff's Office Bicycle Rodeo, the Grayling Little League, a college scholarship for a local high school graduate and purchasing backpacks and school supplies for children starting out the school year.

Their hours of operation are noon to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

For more information, contact Tina Bassett at 344-

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"The Christmas tree sale gives us another way to stay in touch with the community and give back," Alexander said. "It's fun because we get to go out there and joke around with the people and have a good time."

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GHS to host famed chorus

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Whiffenpoofs, the world's oldest and best-known collegiate a cappella group, will appear at Grayling High School on Sunday to highlight a native of the community.

The Whiffenpoofs Chorus, which is part of the Yale Glee Club, will appear at 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 5 in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

Founded in 1909, the "Whiffenpoofs" began as a

senior quartet that met for weekly concerts at Mory's Temple Bar, the famous Yale tavern. Today, the group has become one of Yale's most celebrated and hallowed traditions.

This concert will highlight Whiffenpoofs member and Grayling native Robert Ramaswamy, a 2004 Grayling High School graduate.

The Whiffenpoof repertoire features a diverse selection of songs, ranging from traditional Yale songs

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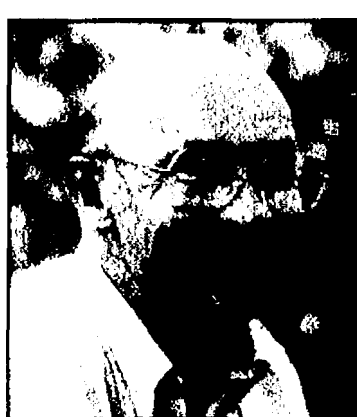
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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Where governor lives of modest import

NEW GOVERNOR Rick Snyder has made it known that he does not plan to move his family to the official Governor's Residence in Lansing while he works downtown at the state capital building.

Instead, the Snyder home will continue to be his suburban Ann Arbor house. Among considerations, he said, is that his daughter wants to continue high school where she is.

It's not that the taxpayers don't provide a decent residence for their governor. It's a modern ranch home large enough and lavish enough both for living and for official functions, located in an upscale neighborhood about five minutes from the capitol dome.

While some folks — including civic leaders in Lansing — seemed a bit upset about the decision, it's really no big deal where the governor lives, as long as he/she gets to work on time and stays around until the work is done.

A governor can do both while living in Ann Arbor, which is less than an hour driving time from the seat of state government in Lansing. It's been done.

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BEFORE MICHIGAN set up an official Governor's Residence

about 50 years ago, governors were on their own about housing.

George Romney 1963-69 was the last Michigan governor without an official residence available in Lansing. I was the governor's press officer at the time.

The Romneys maintained their residence in Bloomfield Hills — about 90 minutes away by car back when all of today's freeways were not yet in place. Their youngest son, Mitt — now a candidate for president — was still in high school then at Cranbrook.

The Romneys rented a house in East Lansing to serve as their Lansing home when needed, which as I recall, was seldom. We held some staff or smaller meetings there when we wanted to get away from the capitol, and the East Lansing house also served smaller social functions for the governor or party leaders.

Gov. Romney also often used the governor's office in Detroit for conferences and meetings involving southeastern Michigan activities.

When the Romneys entertained, either politically or officially, they preferred their much more spacious home in Bloomfield.

Every weekend was family time

in Bloomfield for the Romneys. As dedicated Mormons, they limited Sundays as much as they could to religion and family matters, and restricted their public activities.

And when the work day ended in Lansing, usually it was in the car and home to Bloomfield Hills for the night.

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GOV. JOHN SWAINSON was governor for two years 1961-62 just before the Romney years.

The Swainsons rented and lived in a house in suburban Delta Township while he was governor, and their home served all the official and ceremonial requirements of a governor's residence.

Their son attended Lansing public schools.

G. Mennen Williams served 12 years as governor 1949-60 just before Gov. Swainson. I was a capitol reporter for some of those years, and recall Christmas parties and other functions at the Williams home, which they purchased in the downtown area of Lansing.

Their "real" home continued to be in Grosse Pointe, but they lived in the Lansing house and their children attended school in Lansing.

Before Gov. Williams, Kim

Sigler served two years as governor in 1947-48. He lived in Hastings, about 45 minutes from Lansing by car. Gov. Sigler also was a pilot, and sometimes would fly his own plane on official governor duties around the state.

While in Lansing as governor, he maintained a suite in the old Olds Hotel, across the street from the capitol building.

My memory goes no further back than that.

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GOING THE other way, Gov. William Milliken 1969-82 was governor when the official residence was acquired, and he lived there until he left office. His family was grown by then.

While Gov. James Blanchard 1983-1990 and his family lived in the residence, son Jamie finished high school and started at Michigan State University.

Gov. John Engler 1991-2002 spent three terms in the governor's office and the same time in the governor's residence. His triplet daughters were born during these years, and started school in Lansing, too.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm 2003-10 and family also occupied the official residence during her two

terms, and her children attended Lansing parochial schools.

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A **GOVERNOR'S** mansion, of course, is for more than living and sending kids off to classrooms. It's important for entertaining, for official functions, for staff or public meetings.

Without living there, Gov. Snyder will still have full use of the non-residential functions of the residence.

In no way should the duties of the governor be compromised by Gov. Snyder's choice to continue his home in Ann Arbor.

If problems arise somehow, the Lansing residence will continue as an option — unless, of course, the governor decides to sell it.

We haven't heard from Governor Elect Snyder of his plans for the governor's other mansion — the summer house on Mackinac Island.

A good bet is as governor, he will make frequent use of the Mackinac residence. Most governors have found it delightful.

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Viewpoint

By Marsha Gray, Michigan Christmas Tree Association

Christmas Tree celebrates 500th anniversary

It's true! The Christmas tree has been a part of Christmas celebrations for 500 years since it was first introduced in Riga, Latvia and Christmas tree enthusiasts all around the world will be celebrating this anniversary. While there may be others who claim to have decorated Christmas trees earlier than the tree in Latvia, this documentation appears to have the strongest claim.

The first Christmas tree was placed the public marketplace of Riga and decorated by the men of the Order of the Blackheads, a long-time merchant's guild. According to legend, the men of the guild, wearing black hats, decorated the tree with paper flowers and after the ceremony, they burned the tree.

"How better to celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Christmas tree than to bring home a fresh tree of your own?" suggests Marsha Gray, Executive Director of the Michigan Christmas Tree Association. "It's gratifying to see families rekindling such a long-standing

tradition and making it a central part of their holiday."

And not only is a fresh Christmas tree the choice of many families as a part of their holiday tradition, it is an important agricultural crop for the state. In fact, Michigan ranks third in Christmas tree production and harvests approximately 3 million trees each year. The wholesale value of those trees is more than \$40 million. Michigan also produces wreaths, garlands and holiday greens with a wholesale value of more than \$1.3 million.

"By buying local and making a Michigan Christmas tree part of your family holiday celebration, you are supporting our state's economy," said Don Koivisto, Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture. "Whether it's cutting your own tree at your local Christmas tree farm, or purchasing a fresh tree from a local tree lot or retailer, fresh Michigan Christmas trees add a special touch to holiday celebrations."

The Michigan Christmas

Tree Association is trying to make it easier for consumers to find that perfect farm-grown tree with the addition of Christmas tree farm and Christmas tree retail lot "locators" on their website. By visiting www.mcta.org, families interested in finding a location to purchase a tree have the opportunity to quickly view a state map and identify farms and retail lots convenient to them.

And finding that perfect tree couldn't be easier anywhere than in Michigan. Our home state grows more Christmas tree varieties than any other growing region. From the traditional Scotch pine, White pine or Douglas fir, to the popular Fraser fir or Blue Spruce, to the more exotic Korean, Concolor or Nordmann Firs, Michigan consumers have more natural Christmas tree choices than anywhere else in the world.

"And there is nothing that compares to the fragrance of a fresh-cut Christmas tree," added Gray. "A farm-grown tree just makes Christmas feel like Christmas."

Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Sheriff urges holiday shoppers to stay safe

The holidays, a time for cheer, hope and joy, are here, but with them come an increase in crime.

"Crooks love the holidays as much as everyone else because they represent an increased opportunity for crime," said Sheriff Wakefield. To help your shopping go safely, Sheriff Wakefield offers the following tips.

Stay alert and be aware of what's going on around you.

Deter pickpockets and purse-snatcher. Carry a purse close to your body, not dangling by the straps. Put your wallet in an inside coat

or front pants pocket.

Never leave your purse unattended in a shopping cart.

Never carry large amounts of cash. Whenever possible use credit cards, debit cards or checks.

Park in a well-lighted space and be sure to lock the car, close the windows and hide shopping bags and gifts in the trunk.

When returning to your car or home, always have your keys in hand, ready to open the door.

Before entering your vehicle, carefully check the front and rear seats and floors for

anyone that may be hiding there.

Shop with friends or relatives. There is safety in numbers. Teach your children to go to a store clerk or security guard if you get separated.

For more safety tips Sheriff Wakefield encourages residents to visit the Michigan Sheriff's Association website at www.misheriff.org where you can sign up to receive monthly newsletters. Founded in 1877 the Michigan Sheriff's Association is the oldest law enforcement organization in Michigan.



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From our home page, access the Photo Gallery from the blue "News" or "Sports & Recreation" headers. From the gallery page, you can post your own digital photos to the site to share with other readers, or view photos that people have already submitted. Current photo albums in the gallery include "deer hunting," "travel," "dogs and cats," "birthdays," and more.

To view or purchase Crawford County Avalanche photos, check out our online Photo Archive. The archive contains thousands of news, sports, and feature photos — both published and unpublished — from the last several years. Click on the Photo Archive link, located on the left side of our Internet site pages, to view archived Avalanche photographs.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name. Telephone numbers are not published.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

AVALANCHE DEADLINES

Community items submitted to the Crawford County Avalanche must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2-x-11 inch paper, typed, and double-spaced.

Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on

lined paper use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

Briefs

Eagles Auxiliary to hold craft show

The Grayling Eagles Auxiliary will hold a craft show and bake sale on Dec. 4, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch will be available and also a 50/50 raffle.

Christian conference to be held

Mid Michigan Christian Conference will be held on Dec. 4, at 1 p.m., at the Ramada Inn Conference Center. It is a non-denominational Christian conference. Call 989-390-3960 for more information. All are welcome. Come as you are.

Hartwick Pines to hold Pinecone Ball

The Friends Group at Hartwick Pines State Park is having its first Pinecone Ball membership drive, Saturday, Dec. 4. Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Friends Group and/or would like to attend the Pinecone Ball, contact Kim at 989-302-1428.

Low Cost Shot Clinic to be held

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter will hold a Low Cost Shot Clinic on Dec. 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the shelter. Rabies shots \$12, other shots available also. Walk-in, no appointment necessary.

Legion Auxiliary to hold party

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their annual Christmas party at 1 p.m., on Wednesday, Dec. 8, at the American Legion Hall in Grayling. Bring a \$5 gift and a dish to pass.

Salon to hold Princess Party

Camara's Tanning and Hair Salon, 1169 S. I-75 Bus. Loop, will hold a Princess Night Out on Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Girls of all ages can have hair, nails, spray tanning and make-up done for free. There will be a raffle for a princess bike, games and free door prize drawings every hour for gift certificates. Tea party foods of cookies, cupcakes and milk will be available. Girls may bring dress up attire. All donations will go to Riverhouse Shelter.

Goodale's to hold Train Open House

Goodale's Train and Christmas Village Open House, 1629 Industrial, Grayling, will be Dec. 5, from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Bring canned food for donation to the CCCHC. Entertainment by StringTime.

Garden club to meet

Beyond the Garden Wall Garden Club will meet on Thursday, Dec. 2, at 7 p.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church. Creating evergreen decorations and arrangements for the holidays will be the project. Greens will be provided. Tools and decorations (pruners, gloves, wire, ribbon) need to be brought by those attending. There will also be a cookie swap. Those wishing to participate are asked to bring three dozen cookies. For more information, call 348-8519.

Give with Your Heart event to be held

The AuSable Valley Animal Shelter's "Give with your Heart" event will be held on Saturday, Dec. 4 at the Grayling Sears store. Two percent of the entire day's proceeds goes to the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter.

Baby Closet to be open

The Crawford County Baby Closet will be open monthly on the first and third Thursday of the month. It will be open on Dec. 2 and Dec. 16, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is located at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 400 Michigan Ave., Grayling. Donations of girls and boys 9 months and 3T winter clothes, socks, boots all sizes, diapers and underwear can be dropped off at the church office between 8 a.m. and 2 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Community calendar available online

The Crawford County Avalanche has a community calendar on their new Web site. To view area happenings, or to be considered for publication of your event, go to crawfordcountyavalanche.com, click on community and go to the community calendar.

Library News

Adults are invited to share ideas and support with other writers at "Write On!" on Tuesday, Dec. 7 at 5 p.m. at Devereaux Memorial Library. For additional information on the writing club contact Jane at 989-348-9214.

Get help for faux pass of fashion at "Baby... It's Cold Outside!" a program for the couture challenged. Learn the current style in scarf tying and wearing with special guest Jackie Parker from North Country Corner. Join us at Devereaux Memorial Library on Thursday, Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. Free make and take fleece scarf craft too. Sign up required, call 989-348-9214.

KCPA presents "Christmas Memories" with Jim Witter

Jim Witter, "The Pianomen", returns to the Kirtland stage on Dec. 4 bringing an all holiday program with "Christmas Memories". The program begins at 7 p.m. on the campus of Kirtland Community College.

Whether it be his country music, contemporary Christian, or the music of Billy Joel and Elton John, Witter's versatility as an artist has allowed him the opportunity to reach out and share his music and his infectious personality with audiences of all ages across Canada and the United States.

His unique approach and comfortable rapport makes each member of his audience feel as though they are a part of a private concert in the comfort of their own living room. This, along with his rich, powerful voice and ease of manner at the piano, make him a favorite with theatre goers everywhere.

Witter's music and song writing have been recognized on both sides of the border, earning him multiple awards and nominations from the Canadian Country Music Association, the Juno Awards, and most recently

the Dove Awards in Nashville, where his album "Forgiveness" was nominated for Inspirational Album of the Year.

"song writing has always been a real love of mine", says Witter. "I feel very fortunate to have been able to work with so many incredible song-writers over the past years, like Steve Wariner for instance. Not only have the collaborations produced songs that I am very proud of, but I have gained an invaluable education and created lifelong friendships along the way."

"We are excited by Jim's return to Kirtland," commented Don Wray, Director of the KCPA. "He was well received for his show a couple of years ago. His "Christmas Memories" show will be an evening of nostalgia bringing the warmth of the holiday for our Patrons."

The children's learning center will be providing child care services at a reasonable rate.

Free shuttle service from the parking lot to the theatre will again be provided.

Tickets are available online at www.kirtlandcenter.com or at the ticket office at 989-275-6777.

Nominations open for 2010 O.B. Eustis Environmental Awards

Always striving to balance environmental protection with economic development, the late O.B. Eustis was widely respected as an industrialist, an environmentalist, and a nature columnist. Since 1995, Huron Pines has been a proud partner with the Community Foundation of Northeast Michigan (CFNEM) and the O.B. Eustis Award Committee to recognize the legacy he left. Huron Pines is now accepting nominations through Dec. 31, 2010 for the awards given in his honor.

Individuals, organizations or businesses that practice conservation in the same spirit, with great enthusiasm and an understanding that the natural resources of Northeast Michigan are a vital part of our economy, are being sought for recognition. Through a CFNEM grant administered by Huron Pines, each winner selected will be able to designate a \$500 award to an environmental project in Northeast Michigan.

Huron Pines is a non-profit, non-governmental organization whose goal is to conserve the forests, lakes and streams in Northeast Michigan. Since the organization has a 37-year history of creating partnerships between the private and public sectors in order to coordinate conservation projects, working with the Community Foundation on the O.B. Eustis Program is a natural fit.

Huron Pines works directly with more than 100 partner groups each year to complete conservation projects that help to protect, restore and enhance our natural resources.

The nominees for the O.B. Eustis Award may come from the 11-county service area of Huron Pines, which includes the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle and Roscommon. The winners will be recognized at the annual meeting of Huron Pines on Feb. 5, 2011 in Gaylord.

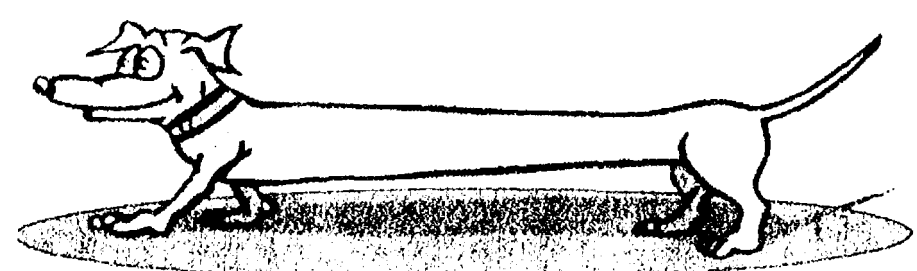
Nomination forms, along with the criteria by which the applicants are judged, can be obtained by contacting: Huron Pines, 501 Norway St., Grayling, MI 49738; phone: (989) 344-0753 x21; or Email: jill@huronpines.org. Questions may be directed to Jill Scarzo at the Huron Pines office, extension.

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The Bible Speaks

God's Gifts in His Church

Romans 12:6-8 lists 7 gifts: "6Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith; 7Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering; or he that teacheth, on teaching; 8Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness."

First, all gifts compliment the needs of the body. "6Having then gifts differing..." All gifts are conferred by God's grace, "...according to the grace that is given to us..." All gifts must conform to God's Holy Scriptures as our only source of faith. "...whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith..." The final revelation of Holy Scripture came from gifted prophets of old who laid the foundation of inerrant, infallible truth we possess today. Revelation 22:18,19 seals the words of God's prophecy against any additions or omissions under God's severe eternal warn-

ings of judgment.

Second, the gift of ministering comes from the Greek word diakonia from which we get our word deacon. It speaks of the gift of serving others in the body of Christ. Beyond the office of deacon, in a broader sense, each member of a local New Testament church is responsible to serve each other within the local body.

Third, the gift of teaching. As parents all of us have some ability at teaching. In the local church God gives special gifts of teaching to the pastor and many others in the local church. Without such gifts the local church would not be able to have Bible teaching and training ministries.

Fourth, the gift of exhortation. To exhort is to plead, implore or invoke others in the body to know and practice the teachings of God's word. 1 Thessalonians 5:14 illustrates exhortation: "14Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly, comfort the feeble-minded, support the weak, be patient toward all men.

Fifth, the gift of giving: "...he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity." We are to give of our time, talents, and treasure to serve others in

the body. Giving with simplicity is to give sincerely in singleness of mind and heart to serve Christ. "12For if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not." (2 Cor. 8:12).

Sixth, the gift of ruling: "...he that ruleth, with diligence..." This is one qualification for a pastor in 1 Timothy 3:5: "(For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)" "Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine." (1 Tim 5:17).

Seventh, the gift of showing mercy: "...he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness." Christians in showing compassion upon others should cheer them up rather than beat them further down. "22A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones." (Pro. 17:22). Pastor "B"

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Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Dec. 3 - Lunch - original fried chicken, baked beans, potato salad and an orange. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Card Golf, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo. Monday, Dec. 6 - Lunch - BBQ pork sandwich, coleslaw, corn and plums. Dinner - Swiss steak, baked potato, Prince Charles vegetable blend and pears. 10 a.m. quilting, 12:30 p.m. Zumba Gold, 1:30 p.m. Clogging, 1 p.m. Bridge, 2:30 p.m. Bunco.

Tuesday, Dec. 7 - Lunch - shepherd's pie, cauliflower and watermelon. Dinner - liver and onions, mashed potatoes, carrots and fruit cocktail. 10 a.m. Bible Study and Zumba Gold, 1 p.m. Euchre, 3 p.m. Hilltop Manor Cardo, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Dec. 8 - Lunch - deluxe hamburger on a bun, lettuce and tomato, O'Brien potatoes and apricots. Birthday Dinner - baked ham, glazed sweet potatoes, Brussels sprouts, pineapple chunks and cake and ice cream. 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Commodities at St. Mary's, 10 a.m. line dancing, 1 p.m. pool league and Wii Bowling, 2 p.m. Coping with the holidays, 5 p.m. Glen's Market Birthday Dinner.

Thursday, Dec. 9 - Lunch - chicken cordon bleu, oven roasted potatoes, broccoli cuts, apricots and brownies. Dinner - Swedish meatballs, mashed potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli and red grapes. Medicare Part D enrollment, (no rec room computers today) 10 a.m. craft class, 1 p.m. UNO Attack and Pokemo.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Card of Thanks

To our friends and family. Dale and I would like to thank you all for being part of our 40th wedding anniversary party. We would like to send a special thank you to Heide, Dale Jr., Charlene and all their helpers for making it such a wonderful party that we will always remember. We love you all. Dale and Carol

Obituaries

Mary K. Thomas

Mary Kathryn Thomas, 79, of Grayling, passed away on Thursday, November 25, 2010.

She was born in Wolcottville, Ind., on September 30, 1931, the daughter of the late Vern E and Opal E (Tucker) Sturgis.

She enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

She was retired from Mercy Hospital where she was employed as a Desk Clerk.

She is survived by daughter, Madelyn Kay Haskel of Tustin; son, Grant (Dawn Quinton) Thomas of Frederic; grandsons: Seth Waite, Spencer Haskel, Sam Cousins and Josh Quinton; and sister-in-law, Donna Sturgis.

A memorial service was held at Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home on Monday, November 29, 2010 at 11 a.m. with Pastor Robert Barnett officiating.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Arrangements entrusted to Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 81 complaints the week of Nov. 22 - Nov. 28.

One missing persons, 18 general non-criminal complaints, one structure fire, nine false alarm activations, one criminal sexual conduct first-degree-penetration, one aggravated assault-non-family-gun, one larceny, two fraudulent activities, two damage to property reports, eight public peace disorderly complaints, one operating while intoxicated, four health and safety reports, two miscellaneous criminal offenses, one miscellaneous arrest, 25 traffic accidents, one inspections/investigation-motor vehicle, four family troubles-domestic, 11 suspicious situations and four driving violations/driving while license suspended.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawfordsheriff.org.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Nov. 28 of \$25 each: Tike Gohnick, Shelly Elmy and Jan Thorne.

Mary E. Hanson

Mary E. "Chickie" Hanson, of Buchanan, passed away on November 16, 2010.

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, on July 18, 1927 to the late Burt and Mary "Shorty" (Pherrin) Holden.

During her senior year at Michigan State University, she married Al Hanson on December 26, 1948. He survives her.

She taught home economics at Wayne Middle School in Wayne and Buchanan High School in Buchanan. She also taught several classes for Buchanan Community Education.

Throughout the years, she served the First Presbyterian Church of Buchanan in many leadership roles. She was a member of the Buchanan 30 Club, the Buchanan Arts Council and Orchard Hills Country Club.

She co-founded and served as Director of the Redbud Area Ministries (RAM) working with many dedicated and unselfish volunteers from Buchanan and Galien Churches. She was presented with the RedBud Award for Outstanding Community Service and Citizenship in 1987.

She is survived by her husband, Al; four children: Lynn (Glenn) Heckler of Schoolcraft, Leslie (Joan) Hanson of Rocky Mount, NC., Chris Hanson of Buchanan, Gordon (Aura) Hanson of Silverdale, Wash; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; brother, Thomas (Margie) Holden of Chesterfield; and sister, Eleanor Jean Ewing of Burlington, NC.

Cremation has taken place with Swem Chapel arranging the memorial service that will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Buchanan on Friday, on December 3, at 1 p.m., followed by a luncheon at the Buchanan American Legion.

Memorials may be made to First Presbyterian Church of Buchanan, 115 W. Front St., Buchanan, MI 49107 or to the Michigan Gateway Community Foundation, P.O. Box 351, Buchanan, MI 49107.

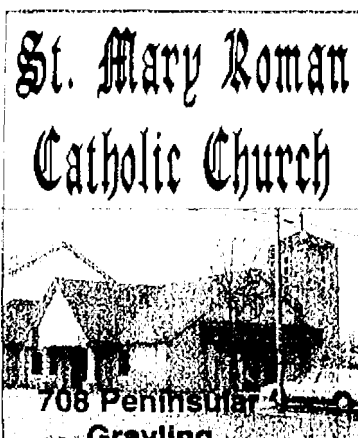
Friends may leave an online memory book message by visiting www.swemfuneralhome.com.

Card of Thanks

During the loss of my husband, Jeremy Maczorowski, I would like to thank the following organizations and people. Grayling Free Methodist Church, Resurrection Life, Seventh Day Adventist and the Grayling Baptist Church for all the love, support and prayers. Terry and Rick Lockwood of Lockwood-Sorenson Funeral Home. Thank you for all your love and compassion and making Jeremy's memories special. And to all my family and friends, you are the strength that gets us through.

Jeremy Maczorowski's family

Church Directory

Christian Science Society 209 First St., Suite 103 - Grayling (989) 732-7001 Sunday Service 10:30 am April through October 2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm	St. Mary Roman Catholic Church  706 Peninsula Grayling St. John Lutheran (ELCA) 710 Spruce Street • (989) 348-5224 Sunday School 9:15 am Sunday Worship 10:30 am First Baptist Church of Frederic Pastor: Dale Hammond Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11 am Evening Worship 6 pm Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm Unity Church of Today North Minister: Terry Dickinson Virtual Church - an E-mail Bible Study available at churd@freeway.net Luzerne Baptist Pastor: James Durfee • 2247 Durfee Lane Sunday School 10 am Sunday Morning Worship 11 am Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm Church Alive! Pastor: Robert D. Klug • (989) 348-4278 501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling Sunday School 10 am Sunday Morning Worship 11 am Wednesday Evening Service Worship & Prayer (even transportation available) URL: http://burningbushholocaust.com Pastor: pastor@burningbushholocaust.com Community of Christ Pastor: Ann Day • North Dixon River Rd. at 1030 Glen Rd. • (989) 348-9781 Church School 9:45 am Preaching 11 am Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community Pastor: Rev. James Beas Associate Pastor: Peter Eke Parish Office • 707 Spruce (989) 348-7657 Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm Sunday Masses 10 am St. Francis Episcopal Reverend: Elizabeth Chace M-72 West - Office (989) 348-5850 Morning Prayer Inc-Ern 8:30 am Eucharist (Wed) 8:30 am Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am Resurrection Life Center Pastor: Bud & Debbie Mann Mail: 2640 West M-72 Grayling, MI 49738 reslifeccenter.com • Phone: (989) 348-1000 Sunday Service 10:30 am Midweek Services (Wed) 7 pm E-mail: reslifeccellship@hotmail.com Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS) 905 N. 1-75 Bus. Loop (at junction of M-93 & Old 27) (989) 348-5921 Sunday Worship Service 10:45 am
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Calvary Baptist Church Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett M-72 West, Grayling • (989) 348-9220 Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 10:30 am Evening Worship 6 pm Wednesday 7 pm Prayer & Awana Club (Wed) 7 pm Church of Christ Old S-27 at Skyline Rd. In Search of the Lord's Way Sunday Mornings on TV 29 & 8 7:30 am Sunday Classes 10 am Sunday Worship 11 am Sunday Evening 6 pm 1st Sunday Evening of every month, there is no service Midweek Bible Study (Wed) 6 pm Abundant Life Tabernacle Pastor: Lyle Studer 211 Shellenbarger St. • (989) 348-5325 Sunday School 10 am Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm Wednesday Evening 7 pm Grayling Baptist Church Affiliated with S.B.C. Pastor: Fred Seidler • (765) 543-7988 705 Madsen St., Grayling • (989) 348-2557 Sunday School 9:45 am Morning Worship 11 am Evening Service 6 pm Wednesday Service 7 pm Bear Lake Christian Pastor: Scott Hoffer M-72 & East Bear Lake Rd. (231) 258-6107 Sunday Church Service 10 am - 6:30 pm Sunday School 9 am Bible Study (Wed) 6:30 pm Youth Group 2nd & 4th Wed. 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting (Wed.) 5:30 pm Church Alive Church of God Pastor: David Barker 506 North Birch St., Kalkaska (231) 258-3418 Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 11 am & 6 pm Family Training Hour & Prayer (Wednesday) 7 pm St. Martin Ev. Lutheran (WELS) Pastor: Adam Seclow The Rosecommon Community Center, 510 South St., Rosecommon, MI 48653 Phone number (989) 275-3070 Sunday 9 am Friendship Church A Christian Reformed Ministry Pastor: Rev. Dick Oberg 415 Ohio North, Gaylord Sunday School 9 am Morning Worship 10 am The Women's Bible Study 10 am Wed. Men's Bible Study Noon Frederic Worship Center 6464 Old U.S. 27 Frederic Pastor: Gary Thompson (989) 422-3461 • (989) 348-5712 Sunday Service 11 am The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints President: David Stephenson 600 North Elm Street, Gaylord Sacrament 10 am Sunday School 11 am Primary 11 am Priesthood Noon Relief Society Noon Grayling Evangelical Free Church Pastor: Dave Schultz 557 South 1-75 Business Loop (Across from the army airfield) Phone: (989) 390-6716 pastordave@graylingfreechurch.org Sunday Service 10 am www.graylingfreechurch.org
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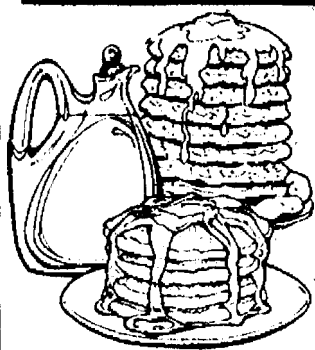
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Troop tackles trappers outing

Boy Scout Troop #995 of Grayling recently had an eventful weekend.

They had an outing called the Trappers dinner. But the Scouts wouldn't just go on an outing just for some food.

What a lot of people do not know is that the Boy Scouts of America have been around for 100 years. So in celebration the Boy Scouts of America brought back a select few historical merit badges, said Chris Inhulsen Boy Scout Troop #995 Historian.

If the boys were not working on carpentry, they were in the hills of Hanson Hills working on tracking. If they were working on carpentry, they learned a lot of old techniques of using hand tools.

Saturday night Scouts listened to the Grayling vs. Menominee game while chowing down on venison stew and picking BBs out of pheasant. Scout Master Jim



Scouts attending the Trappers dinner were left to right: Back row, Chris Inhulsen, Travis Bodkins, Adam Thiel, Tom Pilon, Eric Chad, Nathan Chad and Tyler Summers. Front row, David Bodkins, Troy Summers, Cody Creel, Zach Burger, Jerry Chumack and Robert Thiel.

Pickell brought his tepee that was set up by the Scouts. Even though it was

very chilly a few brave souls survived, Inhulsen said. Grayling Troop #995 is

chartered by Air Way Automation, Inc. of Grayling.

Camp Grayling holds retirement, recognition dinner

Camp Grayling honored seven retirees and recognized three individuals for outstanding achievement at the 15th Annual Retirement and Recognition Dinner held on Nov. 6, at the Camp Grayling Officers Club.

Mr. Kevin P. McKinley, Director of Golf and Skiing at Treetops Resort in Gaylord, was the recipient of the Colonel Dennis D. Hull American Patriot

Award which is presented annually by the Michigan Army National Guard to a community or business leader who demonstrates unselfish commitment and dedication the military forces working and training at Camp Grayling. McKinley organized several charity events and other programs at the resort that benefited Camp Grayling Soldiers and their families.

Five members of the Michigan Army National Guard who retired from the Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center during this past year were also recognized for a combined accumulated 142 years of military service. The Soldiers honored were: First Sergeant Robert L. Dunn (29 years); Master Sergeant Donna Endres-McKee (35 years); Staff Sergeant Mark C. Smith (33 years); Staff Sergeant Daniel V. Beckwith (22 years); and Specialist Thomas J. Rice (23 Years).

Each retiree was presented various awards for

their military service and their spouses each received a Department of the Army Certificate of Appreciation.

Two State of Michigan employees retiring from Camp Grayling were also honored for their dedicated years of service, Mr. Mark Morse (33 years) and Mr. Dave Minnick (10 years).

Also being recognized at the dinner were the Camp Grayling Senior Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year, Sergeant First Class Judy L. Umlor and the Camp Grayling State of Michigan Employee of the Year, Mr. Lance Bugard.

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Christmas

Gift Shopping

Births

Mathieu Curtiss Moore

Stacy and Andy Moore of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Mathieu Curtiss, born at Mercy Hospital on November 10, 2010, at 3:20 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 7.9 ozs., and measuring 20 1/2 inches in length.

Tori Wardecke and Carey Bonenfant of

Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Johnathon Blain, born at Mercy Hospital on November 17, 2010, at 9:20 p.m., weighing 7 lbs., and measuring 29 1/2 inches in length.

Casondra and Timothy Moore, of Grayling, announce the birth of their daughter, Jerzie Ann, born at Mercy Hospital on November 17, 2010, at 2:04 a.m., weighing 8 lbs., 13.5 ozs., and measuring 21 inches in length.

Lindy Elford and Kyle VanSickle, of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Dewayne Eugene, born at Mercy Hospital on November 19, 2010, at 2:51 p.m., weighing 6 lbs., 15 ozs., and measuring 19 inches in length.

Jessica Moran and Charles Burpee, of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Haidyn Keith Matthew, born at Mercy Hospital on November 22, 2010, at 8:18 a.m., weighing 9 lbs., 5 ozs., and measuring 21 1/2 inches in length.

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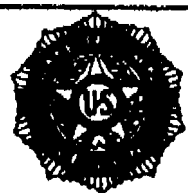
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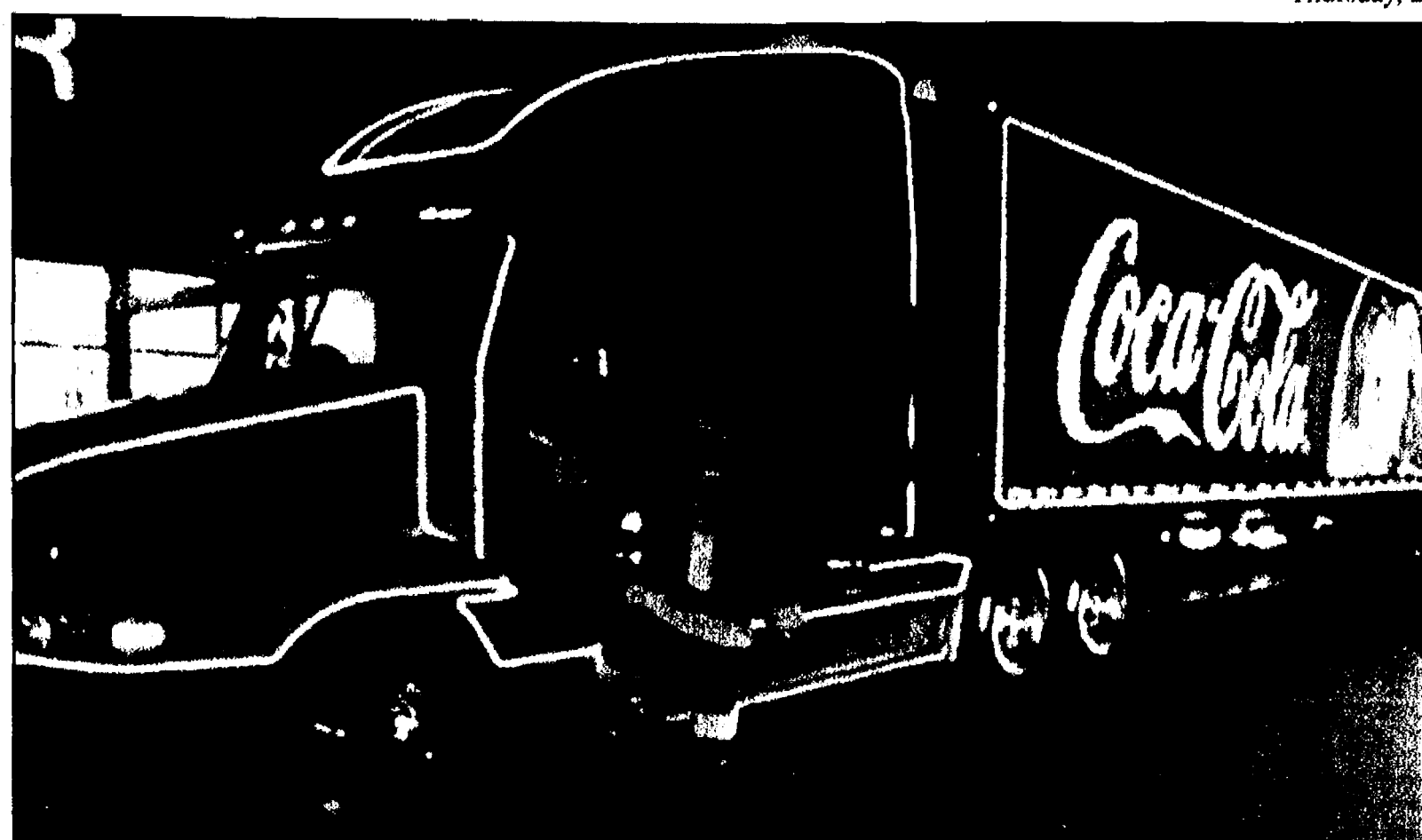
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Coca-Cola caravan coming to Grayling

Tons of Christmas spirit will roll into Grayling Friday to raise awareness for the Toys for Tots program.

The Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Dawson & Stevens Classic 50's Diner and Soda Fountain and The Bottle Cap Museum will host the Coca-Cola Holiday Caravan's visit to Grayling.

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This year, the Caravan will help celebrate Coca-Cola's national partnership with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve Toys for Tots program by bringing local communities together to provide thousands of underprivileged kids with gifts this holiday season. A Toys for Tots drop off box will be onsite for toy collection.

In the spirit of giving, Coca-Cola will donate to Toys for Tots through its popular My Coke Rewards

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Visitors can send a greeting to Santa's workshop by dropping it in the North Pole outpost. Children can visit with Santa and get free pictures compliments of the Coca-Cola Bottling Company, Dawson & Stevens Classic 50's Diner and Soda Fountain and The Bottle Cap Museum.

Five identical Coca-Cola Holiday Caravan trucks are traveling across the United States through Dec. 20. Each tractor-trailer is 64-foot long, 8-foot wide, 13-foot high and weighs 55,000 pounds or 27.5 tons.

The Coca-Cola Holiday Caravan festivities are free and open to the public.

"You won't want to miss this unique event in Grayling," said Bill Gannon, the owner of Dawson & Stevens Classic 50's Diner and Soda Fountain and The Bottle Cap Museum.

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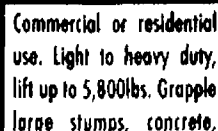
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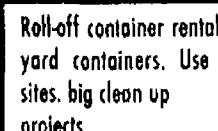
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Raven Tackett drives to the basket for Grayling on Monday night.



Tyler Wyman shoots for the Vikings vs. Boyne City.

GMS Boys Basketball

7th/8th grade

Grayling Middle School's 7th/8th grade combo boys basketball team won 34-18 vs. Boyne City on Monday night at GMS.

Grayling started the contest with an 8-0 run. The Vikings led 10-3 after one period. The Vikings led by 10, 18-8, at halftime. GMS had a 12-point advantage,

24-12, after three periods and the Vikings won by 16. Zane Pittman led the team in scoring with 14 points. Dylan Wyman had six points and Tyler Wyman had

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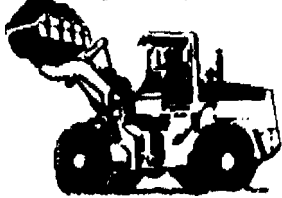
Adam Brill dribbles the ball for the Vikings during Monday's game against Boyne City.

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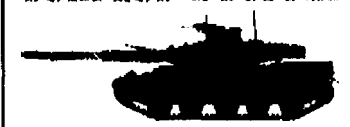
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GMS Boys Basketball

7th grade

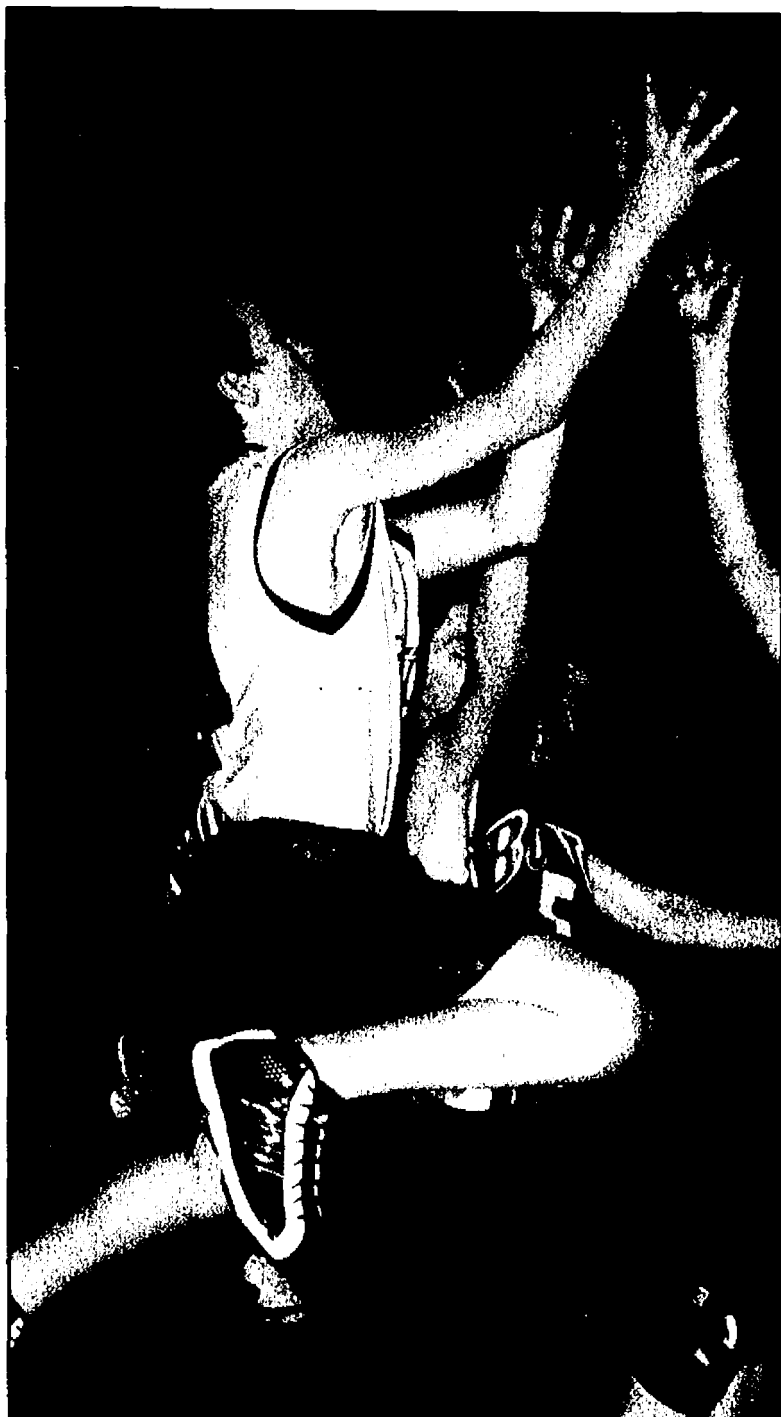
The 7th grade boys basketball squad from Grayling Middle School stayed with Boyne City for one period, but the visiting Ramblers

pulled away after that, defeating Grayling 46-22 on Monday.

The score was tied at 12-12 after the first quarter. With the score tied at 16-16

in the second quarter, Boyne City went on a 9-0 run to lead 25-16 at halftime. The Ramblers outscored GMS 21-6 in the second half to win by 24.

Leading scorers for Grayling were: Trent Hickman (6), Garrett Anderson (6), Tom Bolick (6), and Blake Gregory (5).



Spencer Kent shoots a lay-up for Grayling vs. Boyne City on Monday.



Nic LaLonde controls the ball for the Vikings during Monday's game.

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Recreation League

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Northern Lawn 66 - 18
American Legion 54 - 30
Rye Collision 43 - 41
Don Nester 42 - 42
Double Trouble 40 - 44
Dodi's Karaoke 35 - 49
Moshier Auto 33 - 51
L & L Hauling 23 - 61
High Series Women: K. Moshier, 525; B. MacKinnon, 518; S. Johnson, 466. High Game

Women: K. Moshier, 201; D. Hollis, 185; B. MacKinnon, 183. High Series Men: J. Lehman, 621; J. Hunt, 588; G. Mastroeni, 572. High Game Men: J. Lehman, 219; J. Hunt, 218; P. Benardo, 211.

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High Series: J. Cousins, 496; J. Coors, 485; C. Clark, 482. High Game: S. Johnson, 198; K. Davis, 187; J. Cousins, 181.

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Joels Team 27 - 3
IMM 37 - 1
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Fenton's Auto 20 - 6
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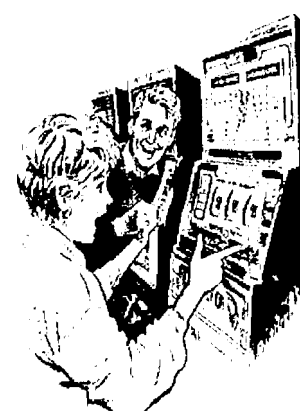
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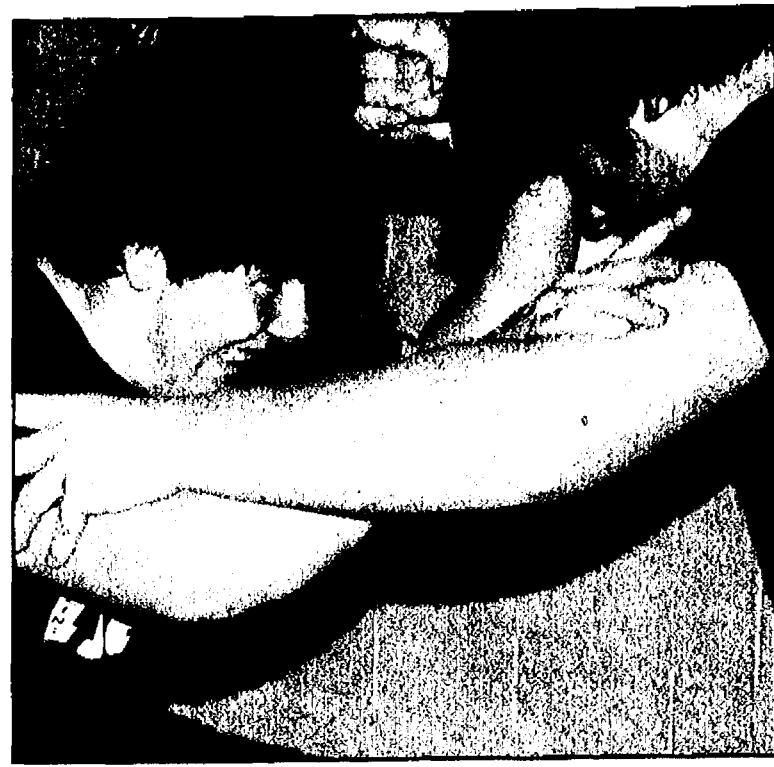
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Gage Toomey, left, battles Jerry Bergey, right during practice on Nov. 18.



Ryan Randall, left, grapples with Lucas Walesky, right, during a recent practice.

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Young wrestling team looks to win 4th straight league title

Varsity squad's first meet slated for Dec. 4 at Ludington

by Caleb Casey
Senior Staff Writer

Grayling High School's wrestling team, a squad with three consecutive conference titles, has a young group this year.

"We have five new freshmen," Coach Joe Ferrigan said. "Lots of new faces."

Ferrigan, who took over the program in 2005, opted to start practicing on Wednesday, Nov. 17, instead of on Monday the 15th, giving the team the first two days of firearm deer hunting season off.

"We made up for it yesterday," Coach Ferrigan said on Thursday the 18th, referring to his team's tough first

practice on Wednesday. "They all came back, every one of them, so it worked out."

The team has one state qualifier back this year, Joe White, and two regional qualifiers — Jerry Bergey and Cody Elmy — returning to a line-up that will be lacking in varsity experience in several weight classes.

The team does have experience in its low 100s weight divisions. Coach Ferrigan expects Bergey to fill the 112 slot, Elmy to wrestle at 125, Olivia Peters at 130, and White at either 135 or 140.

"Joe is ranked number 10 in the state at 135," Coach Ferrigan said.

White, who wrestled at 119 and 125 last year, is in a tougher weight class this year, Coach Ferrigan said. White could break the school record for most career individual wins this season.

Peters, a senior, took second place in a national all-girl wrestling tournament in Ypsilanti earlier this year and she's been recruited by at least one major university with a female wrestling program, Coach Ferrigan said.

Ferrigan's team has a mix of returners, athletes that have wrestled in the past but not last year, and freshmen new to the high school level but who have experience wrestling in the youth program for several years. The team's overall numbers — 18



Joe White, left, wrestles against Jacob Ervin, right, at practice.

to 20 in the first week of practice — and its overall makeup should allow the team to fill most or all of the 14 weight classes needed for a full meet roster.

"Some of these freshmen are going to be in the line-up and they're going to get an education," Coach Ferrigan said. "It looks like we should have a full line-up but we've got some kids that need to lose some weight."

The wrestling team won three consecutive district titles in 2007, 2008, and 2009, but the Vikings lost to Roscommon in the district finals in 2010. Grayling has won the Lake Michigan Conference championship in four of the five years that wrestling has been an official league sport, including three in a row dating back to 2008.

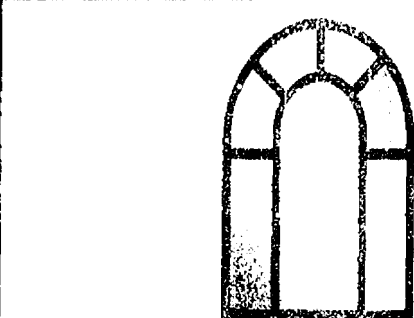
"Conference-wise our

goal is to win a conference title again. It would be nice to win a district title. Really, with all of the new faces we have here, our main goal is just to produce some wrestlers," Coach Ferrigan said.

With the fairly recent addition of the new weight room at GHS the wrestling team has its own place to practice — upstairs behind the bleachers at the high school — and the squad had its mats resurfaced this year with financial help from the Grayling Youth Wrestling Club.

"We're looking better. We got the mats reconditioned over the summer," Coach Ferrigan said. "Youth wrestling helped us out."

The team's first meet of the 2010-2011 season — the Ludington Invitational — is slated for Saturday, Dec. 4, at Ludington.



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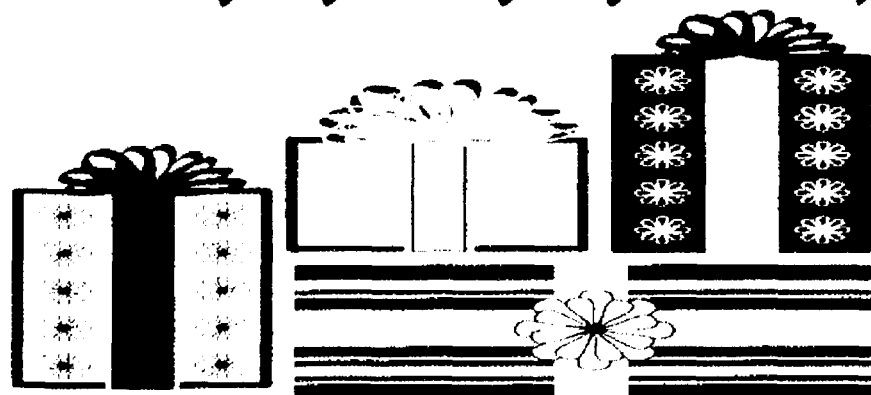
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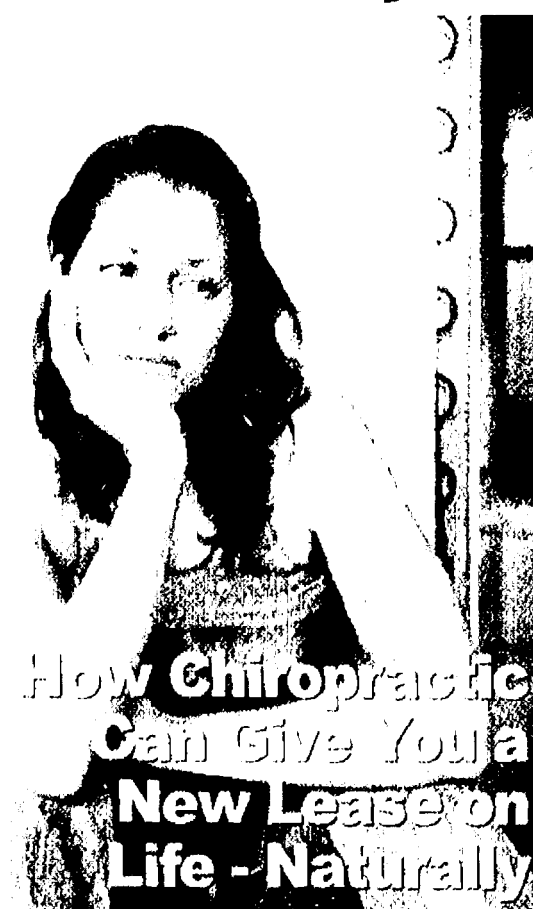
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Ryan Teeple, left, and Riley Zigila, right, shoot the ball during practice drills on Tuesday.

Boys basketball team focuses on defense, consistency

Vikings to host Roscommon in Tuesday's season opener

Last year's Grayling High School varsity boys basketball squad had a young group of players – it started the season with five sophomores, four juniors, and three seniors – and posted a regular season record of 14-6. This year, four of those sophomores – now juniors – will join two seniors to form a solid foundation of returning players for the 2010-2011 season.

In all, this year's squad has 11 players – three seniors, seven juniors, and one sophomore. The team: (varsity returners) Jensen Aubry, 6'1" senior forward; Riley Zigila, 6'2" junior guard; Steven Enos, 6'4" junior guard/forward; Zane Tobin, 6'4" junior guard; Griffin Dean, 6'7" junior center; Jake Helsel, 6'2" senior forward; (varsity newcomers) Devon Dawson, 6'2" junior guard/forward; Scott Parkinson, 6'2" sophomore guard/forward; Ryan Teeple, 5'10" senior center; Tom Burrell, 6'5" junior forward; Josh McBride, 6'3" junior center.

Grayling started its official practices during the week of Nov. 15-19. Rich Moffit returns as head coach of the program. Assistant coaches include LJ Mead, Levi Burkett, and Rocky Tobin. (Chris Kucharek is back as the junior varsity coach and Craig Hofman, who coached the JV girls basketball team last year, is the freshman coach for the boys this year.)

"We have an outstanding group of kids, both on the court and in the classroom," Coach Moffit said. "This group has worked hard during the offseason to improve their skills. We have six kids back – Aubry, Zigila, Enos, Tobin, Dean, and Helsel – who have starting experience, but we are still very young. Our kids gained some valuable experience last year in some big games and we are looking for that to parlay into success this year."

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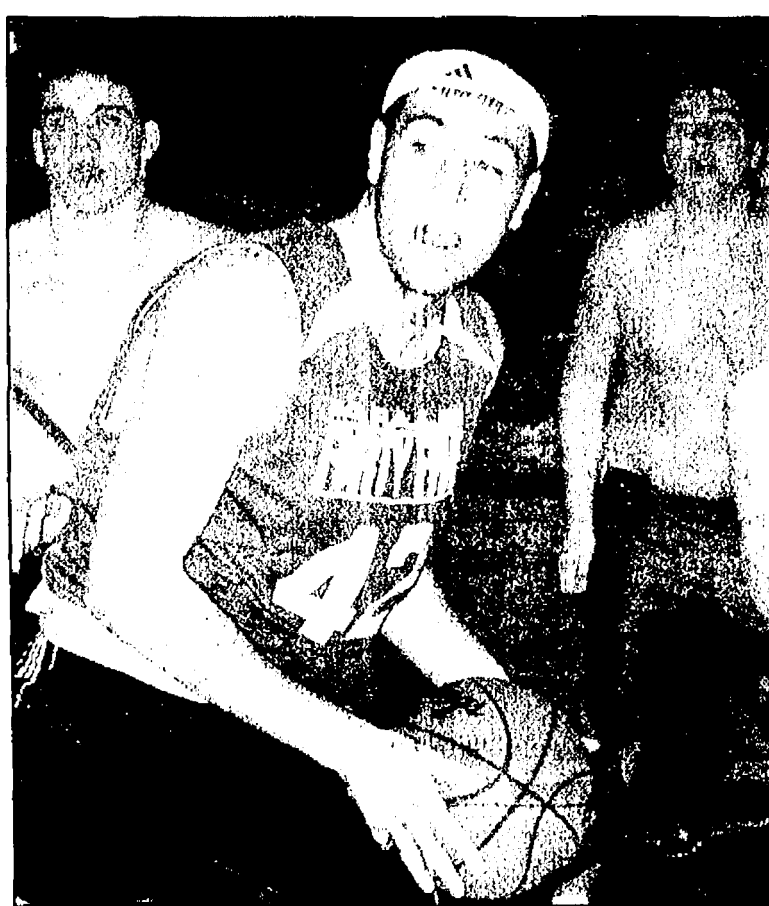
The coaching staff has been stressing consistency, defense, and rebounding during this year's preseason.

"We have been challenging our team to play at a championship level every day. We need to play at a consistent level every day," Coach Moffit said. "The previous championship teams that we have had at Grayling were able to accomplish this: we are striving to do this with this year's group. Our leadership has been top notch and we are looking forward to the challenges that we will have this year."

"Defense has been our number one priority in the preseason," Coach Moffit said. "We have introduced some new concepts and our kids have been working hard to improve at that end of the court. We need to become a team that wins ugly games, not a team that wins when we are hitting our first shot, but a team that can rebound missed shots not once, twice, but as many times as it takes to be successful. We need to become a blue collar team that can beat teams a variety of ways."

Last year's squad had per game averages of 70.6 points, 17 assists, 4.6 blocks, 33.4 rebounds, and 18.3 steals. The Vikings finished third in the Lake Michigan Conference last year with an 8-6 league record.

"The Lake Michigan Conference should be very deep this year," Coach



Griffin Dean comes down with a rebound during a varsity vs. JV scrimmage on Tuesday.

Moffit said. "We have a number of teams that could win the conference this year. It should be a conference that fares well in the tournament. This is as deep as this conference has been since 2004. Charlevoix brings back a veteran group led by Keegan LeBlanc. Traverse City St. Francis has an outstanding Division 1 player in 6'9" Sean Sheldon. Elk Rapids has an outstanding group of athletes. Boyne City, East Jordan, and Harbor Springs have solid players that will challenge. Kalkaska has some talented young kids. The LMC should be an entertaining league."

The Vikings will open their 2010-2011 season with a boys basketball triple-

header vs. Roscommon on Tuesday, Dec. 7. The freshman teams will play at 4:15 p.m. and the JV and varsity contests will follow.

The varsity team's first league game of the year will be vs. East Jordan at GHS on Friday, Dec. 17. For league nights, the varsity girls basketball team will play at 6 p.m. and the varsity boys team will follow.

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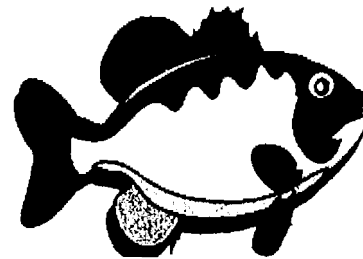
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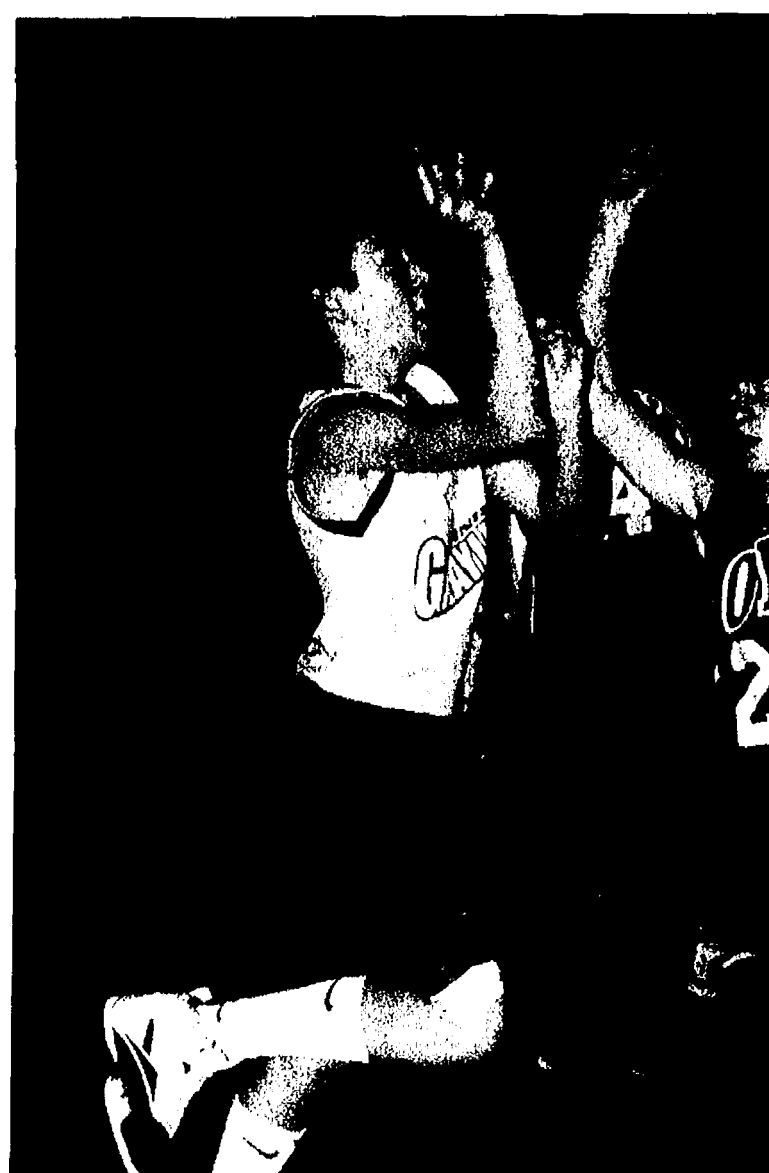
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Dallas Johnson shoots a lay-up for the Vikings vs. Boyne City.



Jacob Hinkle dribbles the ball for Grayling during Monday night's contest.

GMS Boys Basketball

8th grade

The GMS 8th grade boys basketball team had a slim lead at halftime vs. Boyne City last Monday, but the visiting Ramblers pulled away in the second half.

Grayling led 14-6 after one quarter. Boyne City opened the second period

with a 10-2 run, tying the score at 16-16. The Vikings had a 25-22 advantage at halftime.

Boyne City started the third period with 11 unanswered points to lead by eight, 33-25. Grayling trailed 33-28 going into the fourth quarter.

The Ramblers scored the first three baskets of the fourth period to lead by 11 with 4:11 remaining in regulation. Boyne City maintained its advantage down the stretch, leading by no fewer than eight points the rest of the way. The Ramblers won 51-37.

Scout Tobin scored a team-high 16 points, including two three-point baskets. Darin Nicholas had 10 points, including two three-pointers. Emmett Helsel had six points, Jacob Hinkle three points, and Dallas Johnson two points.

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Date: December 2, 2010

For more information, please call: FC C (248) 593-1301 Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys For Servicer and/or Mortgage Holder 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, MI 48334-2525 File # 352304F01

NOTICE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Virginia Reichelderfer, unmarried woman, to Matrix Financial

Services Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 5, 2002 and recorded March 12, 2002 in Liber 573, Page 29, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, National Association (The Bank of New York Trust Company, N.A. as successor to JPMorgan Chase Bank N.A. as Trustee by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Fifty-Seven Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-One and 54/100 Dollars (\$57,371.54) including interest at 9.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 5, 2011. Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 4, Grayling Manor Subdivision, A part of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 31, Town 27 North, Range 5 West, according to the plat thereof, Grayling Township, as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. If you are a tenant in the property, please contact our office as you may have certain rights. Dated: November 25, 2010 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 618.5967 ASAP# 3819417 11/25/2010, 12/02/2010, 12/09/2010, 12/16/2010

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notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Daniel J. Kozlowski III, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 West Michigan Ave, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

11-17-10 Attorney John P. Miller P30879 P.O. Box 287 Roscommon, MI 48653 (989) 275-4131

Personal Representative Daniel J. Kozlowski III 41490 Thoreau Ridge Novi, MI 48377 (248) 624-3024

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 10-7783-DE

Estate of JOHN HARRY EDWARD FOX, Date of birth: 09/06/1944.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, JOHN HARRY EDWARD FOX, who lived at 2675 E. M-72 Highway, Grayling, Michigan died 07/25/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jeana E. Gillaspie, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Attorney Gerald F. Brabant P31123 P.O. Box 35 Roscommon, MI 48653 275-4365

Estate of Sophia M. Hill, Date of birth: 07/15/1923.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Sophia M. Hill, who lived at 10251 Billmand Road, Roscommon, Michigan died 11/09/2010.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Jeana E. Gillaspie, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave, Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Attorney Gerald F. Brabant P31123 P.O. Box 35 Roscommon, MI 48653 275-4365

FORECLOSURE NOTICE (ALL COUNTIES)

AS A DEBT COLLECTOR, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. NOTIFY (248) 362-6100 IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Armand E. Lawrence and Lorraine F. Lawrence, Husband and Wife of Crawford County, Michigan, Mortgagor to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. dated the 12th day of September, A.D. 2007, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 19th day of September, A.D. 2007, in Liber 688, Page 582 of Crawford Records, which said mortgage was assigned to The Huntington National Bank, thru mesne assignments, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal of \$98,074.72 (ninety-eight thousand seventy-four and 72/100) plus accrued interest at 6.500% (six point five zero zero) percent per annum.

And no suit proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on, the 22nd day of December, A.D., 2010, at 10:00:00 AM said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door to the County Bldg in Grayling, MI, Crawford County, Michigan, of the premises described in said mortgage. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the Township of Grayling, in the County of Crawford and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit:

Situated in the Township of Grayling, County of Crawford and State of Michigan: PARCEL "A"

Part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan: Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 11; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes West (along the N. Sec. Line), 594.95 feet to the Point of Beginning, on the Westerly shore of the AuSable River; thence South 14 degrees 23 minutes 17 seconds West (along said shore), 97.55 feet; thence North 82 degrees 58 minutes 09 seconds West (along said shore) 195.19 feet; thence South 33 degrees 29 minutes 30 seconds West (along said shore), 107.35 feet; thence North 76 degrees 03 minutes 44 seconds West 270.69 feet; thence South 72 degrees 56 minutes West, 194.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 34 minutes East (along the E. eighth line), 150.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 51 minutes East (along the N. Sec. line), 723.75 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel extends to the centerline of the AuSable River.

PARCEL "B"

Part of the East half of the Northeast quarter of Section 11, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan:

Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 11; thence South 89 degrees 51 minutes West (along the N. Sec. Line) 1318.7 feet; thence South 0 degrees 34 minutes West (along the East eighth line), 150 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 72 degrees 56 minutes East 194 feet; thence South 76 degrees 03 minutes 44 seconds East, 270.69 feet to the Westerly shore of the AuSable River; thence South 33 degrees 29 minutes 30 seconds West (along said shore), 54.00 feet; thence South 46 degrees 15 minutes 30 seconds West (along said shore), 86.12 feet; thence South 7 degrees 06 minutes 30 seconds West (along said shore), 65.60 feet; thence South 89 degrees 50 minutes West, 350.00 feet; thence North 0 degrees 34 minutes East (along the East 1/8 line), 179.00 feet to the Point of Beginning. This parcel extends to the centerline of the AuSable River.

Commonly known as: 1048 S. Ausable Trail

Tax Parcel No.: 20-040-42 011-01-030-01 Parcel A; 20-040-011-01-030-00 Parcel B

The redemption period shall be one year from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in

accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 18, 2010

WELTMAN, WEINBERG & REIS CO., L.P.A.

By: Michael I. Rich (P-41938)
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Paul Hardacre and Susan Hardacre, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Consumers Mortgage, L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated October 30, 2001, and recorded on November 6, 2001 in Liber 558 on Page 612, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Everhome Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Seven and 08/100 Dollars (\$83,797.08), including interest at 8.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 29, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: PARCEL J-3: Being a part of the South 1/2 of Section 18, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: commencing at the South 1/4 corner of said Section 18; thence North 89 degrees 24 minutes 12 seconds West along the Section line, 688.91 feet; thence North 0 degrees 16 minutes 09 seconds West, 106.57 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing North 0 degrees 16 minutes 09 seconds West, 273.0 feet; thence North 88 degrees 12 minutes 28 seconds East, 1614.11 feet to the Westerly right-of-way line of I-15; thence 272.88 feet along a curve to the right, with a Radius of 11344.19 feet and a long chord of South 2 degrees 50 minutes 47 seconds West, 272.88 feet; thence North 88 degrees 12 minutes 28 seconds West, 1599.27 feet to the Point of Beginning.

SUBJECT TO an easement for ingress and egress and installation and maintenance of public utilities over the Westerly 35.0 feet thereof. ALSO SUBJECT TO a 50.0 foot easement for installation and maintenance of advertising signs over the Easterly side thereof.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 25, 2010
For more information, please call: FC H (248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #339904F01

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Joshua Fielding a/k/a Joshua W Fielding, A Single Man

to Northwestern Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated December 5, 2007 and recorded January 9, 2008 in Liber 689 Page 893 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars and Three Cents (\$70,104.03) including interest 6.375% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on December 22, 2010

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A parcel of a land bounded by and included with line commencing at the intersection of the North line of the South one half the Northeast one quarter of Section 26, Township 28 North, Range 4 West, and the Easterly boundary of the right-of-way of U.S. 27 running thence South along said Easterly right-of-way 210 feet; thence East 750 feet; thence North 210 feet to the said North line of said South one half of the Northeast one quarter; thence West along said North line 750 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being part of the South one half of the Northeast one quarter of said Section 26.

Commonly known as 7734 Old US 27 North, Frederic MI 49733

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241(a), whichever is later.

Dated: 11/18/2010
Northwestern Mortgage Company
Mortgagee
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.
811 South Blvd, Suite 100
Rochester Hills, MI 48307
(248) 844-5123

Our File No: 10-31108
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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Ryan B. Nelson, Sr., as a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., Mortgagee, dated September 25, 2009, and recorded on October 7, 2009 in Liber 697 on Page 588, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Three and 73/100 Dollars (\$135,473.73), including interest at 5.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 22, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford

County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 24 White Pine Estates, as Recorded in Liber 4 of Plats, Page 30, Crawford County Records.

and Parcel 10: Being a part of the West 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 20, Town 27 North, Range 4 West, Frederic Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as: Commencing at the East 1/4 corner of said Section 20; thence South 89 degrees 55 minutes 19 seconds West on the East and West 1/4 line, 1321.83 feet; thence South 0 degrees 58 minutes West on the 1/8 line, 540.25 feet to the point of beginning; thence South 0 degrees 58 minutes West, 744.4 feet; thence North 89 degrees 26 minutes 47 seconds West, 582.3 feet; thence North 0 degrees 50 minutes 42 seconds East, 362.52 feet; thence North 19 degrees 06 minutes 21 seconds West, 340.0 feet; thence North 23 degrees 53 minutes 21 seconds West, 59.23 feet; thence North 89 degrees 55 minutes 19 seconds East, 724.85 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 18, 2010
For more information, please call: FC S (248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #342952F01

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NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by William C Long and Alita R Long, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Fifth Third Mortgage, MI, L.L.C., Mortgagee, dated August 27, 2007, and recorded on September 5, 2007 in Liber 688 on Page 393, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Fifth Third Mortgage Company as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Sixteen and 28/100 Dollars (\$89,116.28), including interest at 7.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 22, 2010.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lots 1 and 2, Block 3, Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in liber 1 of plats, page 04, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 18, 2010
For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311

Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200

Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525

File #222304F02

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FORECLOSURE NOTICE

RANDALL S. MILLER & ASSOCIATES, P.C. IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. Mortgage Sale - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by David O. Myers, Jr, a single man and Sara A. Beebe, of United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Mortgagee, dated November 5, 1996, and recorded on November 6, 1996, in Liber 420, Page 518, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty-Six Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Nine and 06/100 (\$66,299.06) including interest at the rate of 7.25000% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the Circuit Court in said Crawford County, where the premises to be sold or some part of them are situated, at 10:00 AM on December 15, 2010 Said premises are situated in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Clough's Highland Acres, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 65, Crawford County Records. Commonly known as: 201 Nordic

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or 15 days after statutory notice, whichever is later. Dated: November 11, 2010 Randall S. Miller & Associates, P.C. Attorneys for United States of America acting through the United States Department of Agriculture 43252 Woodward Avenue, Suite 180 Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302 (248) 335-9200 Case No. 10MI02614-1 -11-18-25-2

CIRCUIT COURT SALE

Case #: 10-8116-CH
THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE - A Default Judgment Granting Plaintiff a Monetary Award and Foreclosing Real Property was entered by the Honorable Dennis E. Murphy, Crawford County Circuit Court Judge, on September 10, 2010, in the matter of Rose Acceptance, Inc., Plaintiff, v James McCredie, Gale E. Minard, Crawford County Housing Commission, and Charles O. Davis, Defendants, Case # 10-8116-CH. Said judgment provides that if Defendants fail to pay Plaintiff the sum of \$29,237.01, plus interest at the rate of 12.95% per annum, within 21 days of the judgment, that the property described below is to be sold at public auction, with the proceeds to be applied toward the satisfaction of the debt.

Pursuant to the order of the Court, and pursuant to the statutes of the State of Michigan, notice is hereby given that the property described below, or some part of them, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, December 22, 2010, at 10:00 in the forenoon, at the place of holding of the circuit court in the county in which the land is situated.

Said premises are located in Lovells Township, Crawford

County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing at the NE corner of Section 19, T28N, R1W, thence North 82 degrees 42' West along section line 549.5 feet to the centerline of county Highway #612, thence South 51 degrees 02' West along highway centerline 255.0 feet for the Place of Beginning; thence South 51 degrees 02' West 110.0 feet, thence South 38 degrees 58' East 253.9 feet to the westerly line of an abandoned railroad grade; thence North 40 degrees 25' East 111.9 feet; thence North 38 degrees 58' West 233.2 feet to the place of beginning; being part of the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Section 19, T28N, R1W; c/k/a 6846 E. County Rd. 612, Grayling, MI 49738

The redemption period shall be six months.
Dated: October 28, 2010

KIRK WAKEFIELD
SHERIFF

Randall T. LeVasseur P41712
LeVasseur Dyer & Associates, PC
Attorneys for Plaintiff
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Berkley, MI 48072
(248) 586-1200

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Notice Of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

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ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Travis Hatfield, a Single Man, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated April 28, 2006, and recorded on May 4, 2006 in Liber 681 on Page 345, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by mesne assignments to Fannie Mae, a corporation organized under the laws of the United States of America a/k/a Federal National Mortgage Association as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety and 09/100 Dollars (\$71,790.09), including interest at 6.75% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on December 15, 2010.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 3, Block 3, Karen Woods Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof, as Recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 44, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 11, 2010
For more information, please call: FC J (248) 593-1311

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31440 Northwestern Highway,
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File #336274F01

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SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING USDA GRANT TO REFURBISH FIRE DEPARTMENT WATER TANKER

DURING THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING (TUESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.) THE SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP BOARD WILL CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING TO HEAR COMMENTS REGARDING THE TOWNSHIP'S APPLICATION FOR A USDA GRANT - TO BE USED TO REFURBISH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WATER TANKER

Laurie Luck, Supervisor

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



December 3, 1987 - Vicki Creps was one of the first kids to chat with Mr. Claus.

23 Years Ago December 3, 1987

Michigan's new 65 MPH speed limit began at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 29. All of I-75 going through Crawford County changed to the 65 MPH new limit. Only 720 miles of rural interstates will have the new speed limit.

Some 600 high school students and advisors representing 111 schools in Michigan and Ontario converged on Mackinac Island

Oct. 24 - 26, for the second annual leadership conference of Students Against Driving Drunk (SADD). SADD leadership from GHS include Joe Francis, Stacy Rosin, Amy LaGrow, Jannice Helsel, Margarita Perez, Mike McMillan and Mrs. Vickie Green.

Grayling City Manager Jerry Morford was re-elected to a two-year term ending December 31, 1989, on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Municipal and

Property Pool.

Darwin A. Wilder, of Davis Jewelers, Grayling, has been added the advanced title Certified Gemologist to his previously bestowed Registered Jeweler title.

46 Years Ago December 3, 1964

Mrs. Bert Dannenberg has sold her house to Russell Owens and family and has discontinued her Betty Mae Beauty Shop business as of Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Chrispell, who live on Military Road in Beaver Creek Township, were jolted by a bomb-like explosion Saturday morning, Nov. 28, when lightning scored a direct hit on their two-room home, tearing it to pieces.

Our parking meters have been in operation six months on Dec. 15. The results of having them has been very satisfactory. The primary purpose of the parking meters is to control traffic, keep cars moving in and out of parking spaces so that the buying public can find somewhere near where they wish to shop. The meters have done their job well and made shopping much easier for everyone.

The Grayling Vikings basketball team had an easy

63 to 29 triumph in the first game of the season against the Roscommon Bucks.

69 Years Ago December 4, 1941

Oil drilling operations were to begin at the South Branch Ranch in Crawford County by Dr. Thompson of Mt. Pleasant, well known oil operator. C.H. Lintz, owner of the ranch, said it looks very promising that oil will be struck as the property lies on the same stratus as the Keno well.

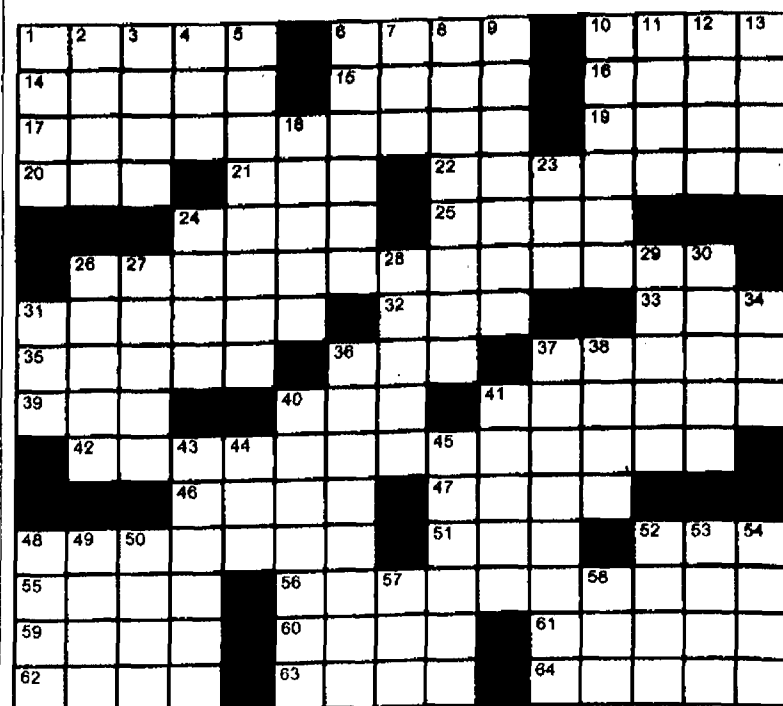
The football squad of Grayling High are in for a treat next Wednesday when they will be guests of the Grayling Kiwanis Club at a banquet to be served at Michelson Memorial church, and to make the occasion still more interesting, Coach Gordon McDonald of Alma College will be the speaker.

92 Years Ago December 5, 1918

Miss Matilda Stephan has closed a successful term of school in the Stephan district.

The Misses Ollie Hermann, Doris and Carrie LaGrow, Erdine McNeven and Bessie Brown attended a dancing party in West Branch Thanksgiving night.

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16. Actress _____ Bancroft
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21. "Come to think of it ..."
22. Animal foot for food
24. Climb
25. R-rated, maybe
26. TV channel changer
31. Thom apple
32. Auction offering
33. Animation
35. Critical
36. Beauty
37. Came to
39. Fourposter, e.g.
40. Victorian, for one
41. Shorebird
42. New embodiment
46. Channel marker
47. Real
48. Feeler
51. Chinese "way"
52. Bank offering, for short
55. Massive wild ox
56. Eloquent
59. LP player
60. Cry like a baby
61. Arouse
62. "Ah, me!"
63. Its motto is "Lux et veritas"
64. Force units

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1. Preserve, in a way
2. Experienced
3. "What's gotten _____ you?"
4. On, as a lamp
5. Shore receiving wind
6. Acetylene
7. "_____ we having fun yet?"
8. Private lounge
9. Water faucet
10. Constant sufferer
11. Condo, e.g.
12. "_____ bitten, twice shy"
13. At no time, poetically
18. Indian salad
23. Columbus Day mo.
24. Blue books?
26. Indy entrant
27. Musical composition for practice
28. Cloudless
29. Convex molding
30. Compare
31. Apply gently
34. Copy cats?
36. Topic not clearly defined
37. Wrote
38. Habeas corpus, e.g.
40. Thrifty management
41. Chocolate source
43. Candytuff
44. Mother Teresa, for one
45. Bug
48. Eastern poo-hah
49. Catch
50. Porous limestone
52. Clickable image
53. Autumn tool
54. Brews
57. Carpentry tool
58. Brown, e.g.

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(PUZZLE #6 Easy, Difficulty Rating 0.45)
ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



HOROSCOPES

December 2, 2010



December 22-January 19

You're not one to rest your own horn, but if you're going to have to do it, let others know of your skills and talents.



March 21-April 19

You receive a windfall. Be careful what you do with it. Aries: A rainy day could be coming up. A breakdown in communication at work tests your patience.



June 22-July 22

If you permit it, fear will keep you from taking a risk. Cancer: The time is right. Go ahead and take the plunge. Gemini: You will come out smiling.



September 23-October 22

This week is all about making sacrifices. Libra: Make sure you devote your energy to the right causes, and it will all be worth it in the end.



January 20-February 18

You have a decision ahead of you. Do your homework and consider what will benefit everyone as a whole. Don't worry about making ripples. It cannot be helped. Aquarius:



April 20-May 20

All right, Taurus. Creativity abounds, and the ideas fly. Implement what you can and save the rest for another day. A cherished heirloom makes its way to your house.



July 23-August 22

Ask, ask, Leo. You're fretting over things out of your control. Turn your attention to a matter at home that you can change and work to resolve it.



October 23-November 21

You've given the reins to others for far too long now, Scorpio. Step up and break the hold. A lost cause is not so lost after all. Push full steam ahead.



February 19-March 20

This week is all about being flexible, Pisces. When things begin to stray from the path intended, don't fret. Go with the flow, and you will come out on top.



May 21-June 21

If you let it, work will get the best of you this week. Gemini: Multiple demands will come your way. Learn to say no. A friend stops by bearing gifts.



August 23-September 22

You are a generous person, but if you aren't careful, Virgo, that could get you into trouble. There is no reason why you should pay for something you are not proud to.



November 22-December 21

You have a right to be happy, Sagittarius, so don't hold back. Go ahead, splurge a little and have some fun. You deserve it. A relative holds true to their promise.

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WEATHER

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Last Week

Date	H	L	Rain Inches
11/23	58	32	0.03
11/24	32	25	0.01
11/25	35	25	0.02
11/26	39	19	0.01
11/27	29	20	0.50
11/28	34	22	0
11/29	39	24	0

Extended Forecast

(Courtesy of the Weather.com)

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
High 33	High 32	High 33	High 34	High 30	High 30
Low 23	Low 23	Low 22	Low 21	Low 22	Low 22
Snow Showers	Partly Cloudy	Snow Showers	Few Snow Showers	Mostly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

BREAKFAST BAKE

Ingredients:

- 1 can (8 oz.) refrigerated crescent dinner rolls
- 1 pkg. (8 oz.) Smoked Ham, chopped
- 6 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 1 cup Shredded Cheddar Cheese
- 1 cup Shredded Mozzarella Cheese

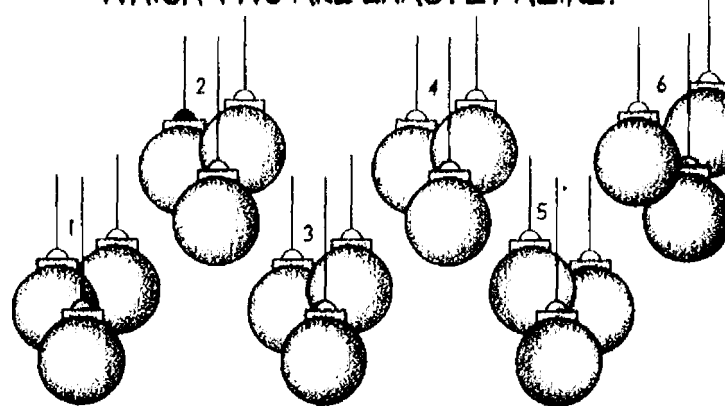
Directions:

HEAT oven to 350°F. UNROLL dough in 13x9-inch baking dish; press to cover bottom of dish, firmly pressing perforations and seams together to seal. Top with ham. WHISK eggs, milk and pepper until well blended; pour over ham. Top with cheeses. BAKE 25 min. or until center is set.

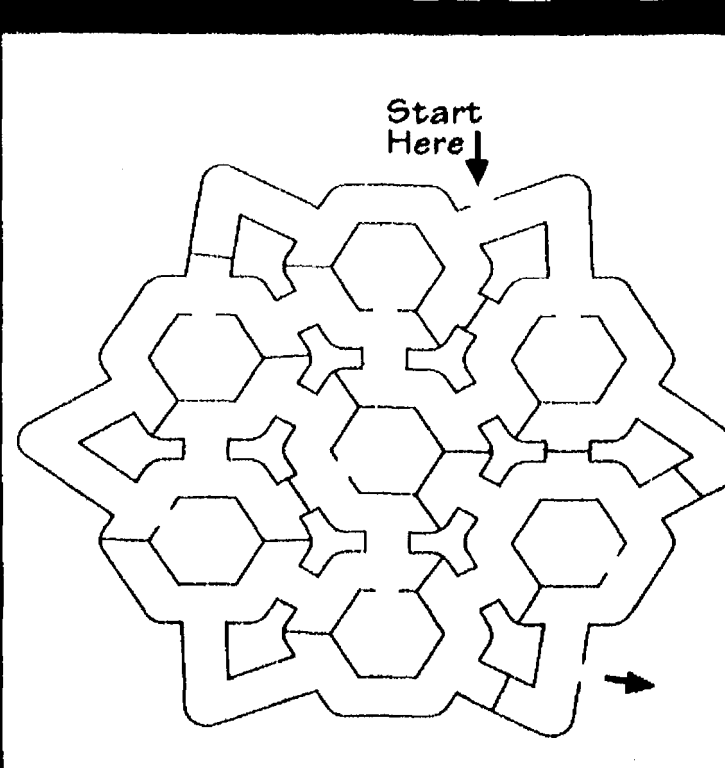
Prep Time: 15 min
Total Time: 40min
Makes: 8 servings

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HOUSE FOR SALE 2-3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. 586-446-0004, 586-713-7500. (-2/8/10/t/1)

2. For Rent

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2. For Rent

HOUSE FOR RENT - Frederic area. 2 bedroom, 1 1/2 bath, 1,400 sq ft, 1 car garage on 10 acres. \$550 per month plus security deposit. Must have references. 989-348-2088. (-2-9/2)

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2. For Rent

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4 BEDROOM STONE HOUSE for rent, \$600 first, last and security. No pets. 390-1046, Frederic. (-2/2)

EFFICIENCY CABIN ONE BEDROOM \$400 per month, \$400 security, \$50 cleaning fee. Utilities not included. No pets. 989-348-5124. (-2/2)

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FOR RENT 3 BEDROOM home in Grayling. \$500/month plus deposit. 313-377-1112, 313-294-3266. (-2-9/2)

3. Employment

MERCY HOSPITAL GRAYLING Senior Cook Needed. The Senior Cook is accountable for operational responsibility of Hot Food Production in the Food Services Department and Cafeteria. Assures and coordinates all Hot Food Production, assures food is presented in a professional and appealing manner. Assures that all Hot Food Production is the highest quality and taste for each area of service. These areas include: patient meal services (all therapeutic diets), Responsible for proper sanitation, serve safe methods, temperature documentation and follow-up training. Responsible for assuring accuracy and correct training methods while training new cooks. Minimum Requirements: High school diploma or equivalent, Must be able to communicate well and be able to read, write and give direction to cooks. Must be Serve Safe Certified and have a minimum of five years of institutional cooking experience. Must have the ability to remain unbiased, look at problems openly and facilitate problem solving within the cook's area. All qualified applicants please apply online at <http://mercygrayling.munsonhealthcare.org/>. (-2-9/3)

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Grayling Head Start Program seeks a Teacher Center/Combo position Bachelors Degree in Early Childhood Education or Bachelors Degree and coursework equivalent to a major in Early Childhood Education and two years experience in Head Start or other Early Childhood Program is required. For current Head Start employees: Will consider Associates Degree in Early Childhood Education with 5 years experience and current enrollment in a Bachelor Degree Program in Early Childhood Education. Wage \$15.62/hr plus benefits. Deadline December 7, 2010 4:30 PM. Application form and specific job information along with application process is available at www.nemcsa.org or phone 989/356-3474. Upon request auxiliary aids and services will be made available to individuals with disabilities. Michigan Relay Center "Voice and TTY/TDD" 1-800-649-3777. An EOE. (-2-9/3)

1. Real Estate

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2. For Rent

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WANTED FAMILIES TO HOST foreign exchange students for January through June. Please call Laura Schans 344-2313 for more information. (-18-25-2/6)

7. Miscellaneous

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8. Announcements

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NOTICE FREDERIC TOWNSHIP BOARD VACANCIES

Township Board of Review needs to fill three vacancies and two alternate positions on the Board.

The vacancies will be for a two year term, from January 1, 2011 through December 31, 2012.

The Zoning Board of Appeals has three positions starting January 1, 2011.

These positions will be 1 for 1 year, 1 for 2 years, and 1 for a 3 year term.

The Planning Commission has 1 vacancy for a 3 year term.

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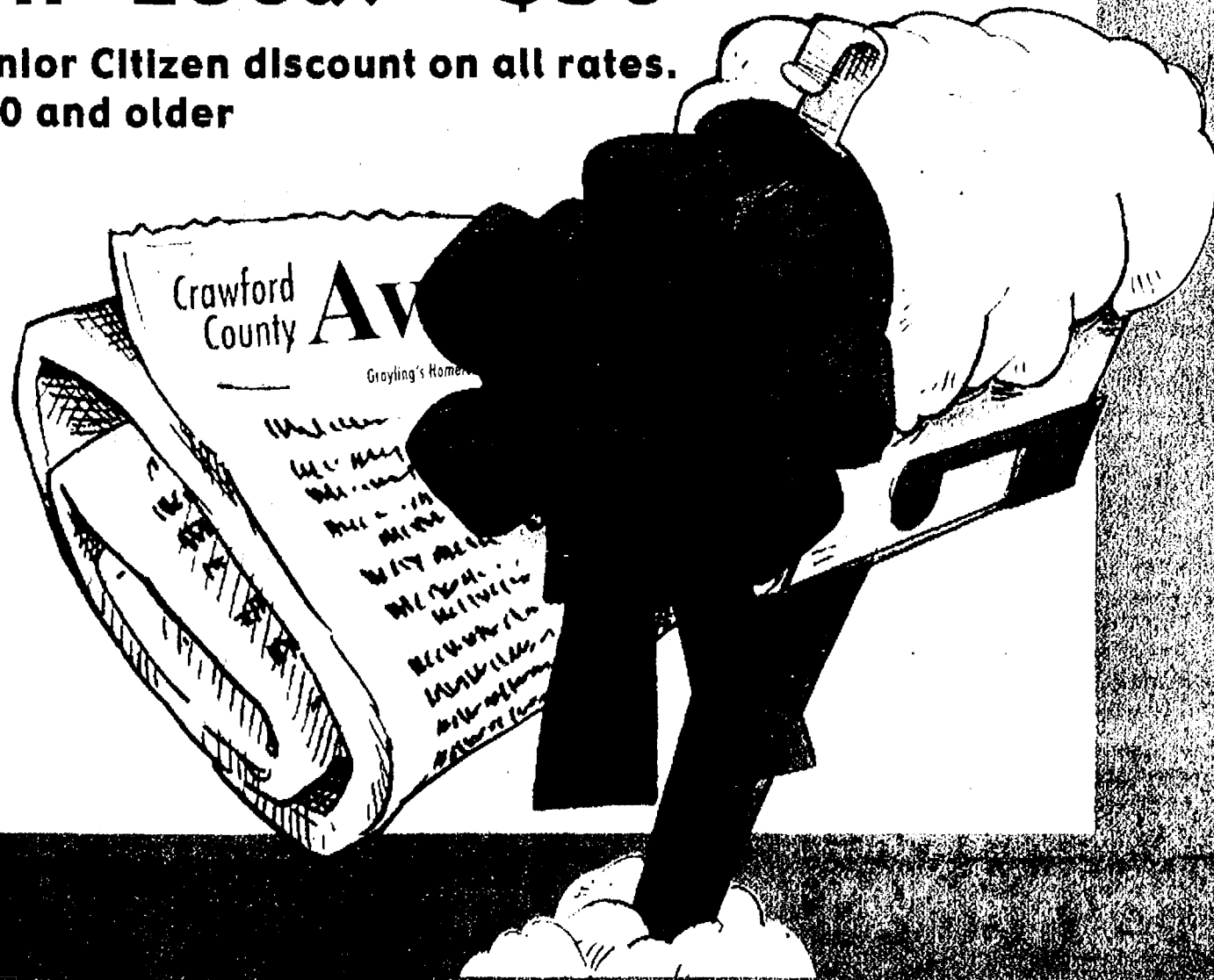
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BREAKFAST WITH SANTA at the American Legion in Grayling on Sunday, Dec. 19. Photos, crafts and more! Watch for our ad in next week's paper! (-2/8)

HALL FOR RENT American Legion Post 106, Grayling. Smoke free. Wedding receptions, showers, parties and more. Contact manager 348-7232. (-15-29-12-26-9-23-21-4-18-2-16-30/8)

PAPER BEAD CLASS at The Brickery, Dec. 4, 2010, 1 - 3 p.m. \$10 includes supplies for 1 necklace. Limited class size. Sign up now at the Brickery. (-25-2/8)

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FREE SOUP, SALAD & FRUIT bar with purchase of all-you-can-eat spaghetti \$7.99, Wednesdays 4 p.m. - 9 p.m., at Grayling Big Boy. (-11/26/09/1/8)

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10. Garage Sales

GRAYLING'S BIG WHAT-EVER SALE (Garage Sale Items/Crafts) American Legion Hall, Sat. Dec. 11, 2010, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sell anything you have at your table. Reserve your \$10 table by Dec. 8, 2010. Lunch will be available. Information, call Rose Mary Nelson 989-348-2985. (-2/10)

AUCTION! Dec. 4, 10 a.m., Perry Creek & M-33, Mio. Furniture, appliances, kitchen, household, Fenton, glass, collectibles, craft supplies, trains, models, tools, new store stock, coins & more! View online or call. Lets Talk Auction, 989-848-5158, www.LetsTalkAuction.com. (-2/10)

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NEMSCA named top workplace

Northeast Michigan Community Service Agency (NEMSCA) was recently named one of the top five places to work in Michigan.

This award was given by Top Workplaces 2010, a survey program conducted by Workplace Dynamics. The Top Workplaces survey was submitted by employees and measured six factors: direction, execution, conditions, career, managers, pay and benefits.

NEMSCA Chief Executive Officer John

Swise accepted the honor at an awards breakfast held in Livonia on Nov. 11. Accompanying him was Chief Operating Officer John Briggs, Executive Assistant Karen Godi and Michigan Works! Business Liaison Kay Cosgray.

Cosgray came across information on the Top Workplaces competition and thought it would be a good opportunity to nominate NEMSCA.

Awards were presented to the top five companies in three different categories

based on number of employees.

NEMSCA was named fifth among the top five large companies along with Quicken Loans, Edward Jones, Plante & Moran and Johnson Controls.

"I think if you're headquartered in Alpena and you get a statewide honor - it's important," Swise said. "It shows that you can live up north and work up north and still do your job and do it well and have your employees think you do OK."

Area Events

Roscommon - The Rosco-Higgins Trail Cruisers Snowmobile Club will conduct a DNRE snowmobile safety class on Saturday, Dec. 11, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the Community Senior Center, 510 South Street, Roscommon. Earn your safety certificate in just one day and be ready for safe riding this winter.

This course is open to persons of all ages who wish to learn safe snowmo-

bile operation, but is required for students 12-17 who want to operate a snowmobile without direct adult supervision.

The class is free, and includes a free lunch. Instructors are DNRE Certified Safety Instructors.

Students must attend seven hours of instruction, pass a written exam and be 12 years of age by March 31, 2011.

To register call Chuck

Comstock (instructor) at 248-673-0980 or Jackie Persondek at 989-915-1483.

Houghton Lake -Simply Singles age 50+ Christmas Party, Dec. 5 at 3 p.m. Please bring a small dish to pass, own beverage, \$2 for meat provided and non-perishable food item for the food pantry. Dec. 15 lunch at 11 a.m. at the Kilkaire Restaurant in Houghton. Call 821-4291 or 821-7565 for more information.

Military News



George Masella of Grayling, a member of the 1071st Maintenance Company, Grayling, Michigan Army National Guard, was promoted on Nov. 7 to the rank of Sergeant First Class.


Masella, a track mechanic, has been a member of the National Guard for 15 years. Prior to his guard service, Masella served on active duty for 12 years. He attended basic training in 1984, at Fort Dix, N.J.

He graduated from Grayling High School in 1984.

Masella is a veteran of Operation Desert Storm 1991 and Operation Iraqi Freedom 2005-2006. He received the Army Commendation Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal.

In civilian life, Masella works for MATES, in Grayling, as a surface maintenance mechanic.



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Changes expand housing options

by Dan Sanderson
 Staff Writer

The Grayling City Council recently made a pair of changes to its zoning ordinance to offer more housing options to residents.

First, the city council amended its commercially zoned, local service district to allow apartment dwellings to be located on a second floor, above or in the rear of a retail business on the first floor. The retail operation must be maintained as the principle use of the building and the apartment cannot take up more square footage than the retail space.

The business owner must come before the planning commission to get the changes for the apartment

approved as a conditional use.

The zoning change is aimed to keep businesses in operation while giving the owners the option of having living quarters in the same building.

"Times are tough and people are doing things they need to do to try to get by," said Zac Weaver, the City of Grayling's Zoning Administrator.

Next, the city council changed its zoning to address non-conforming use of structures and land.

The change was put in place to address single-family homes that may be damaged or destroyed. The amendment allows the homeowner to rebuild in compliance with restrictions established for the res-

idential district in the closest proximity to the property.

The home or structure would have to be re-established within a two-year period, or the property would revert to the zoning district for that area of the community.

Earlier this year, a couple approached the council and informed them they were having trouble refinancing their home. The zoning district where their home is located was converted into a commercial district aimed at establishing medical facilities and offices near Mercy Hospital Grayling.

The zoning amendment allows homeowners greater ease when trying to refinance their homes or applying for a mortgage.

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